

# The Cromwell Arms

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

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## Cromwell Advertisements



**DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,**  
WHOLESALE  
AND  
RETAIL  
FAMILY GROCERS,  
AND  
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

D. A. JOLLY & CO. desire to return thanks to the people of Cromwell and the surrounding districts for the liberal encouragement they have received since opening the above establishment; and as they intend devoting their attention exclusively to the Grocery and Wine and Spirit trade, they confidently hope, from their connection in Dunedin, to be able to place before the public a genuine class of goods, well and carefully selected, at prices that cannot fail to give general satisfaction. They would respectfully invite attention more especially to the following articles in stock:—

Teas of excellent flavor, in chests, half-chests, and boxes  
Coffees not to be surpassed in quality  
Cocoa and Chocolate of the best brands  
Sugar—crystals and crushed loaf  
Raisins—Muscatel, Sultan, and Eleme  
Jams, Jellies, Pickles, and Sauces  
Bacon, Cheese, and Butter of prime quality  
Tobacco—Imperial Ruby Twist, Barrett's Twist, Old Sport, and Aromatic  
Oils—Salad, Castor, and Kerosene  
Candles of the best brands  
Soaps—Blue Mottled, Yellow, and Scented in bars and cakes, &c., &c.

GRAIN.  
Wakatip Oats, Wheat, and Chaff  
SPIRITS.  
Islay Whisky—Arbeg's and Long Jones'  
Hennessey's and Martell's Brandy, in bulk and case  
J.D.K.Z. Geneva  
Burnett's Old Tom  
Lemon Hart's Rum in bulk  
Porter—Blood's, Byass's, and Guinness's  
CORDIALS.  
Ginger Wine, Raspberry Vinegar, Peppermint, Lemon Syrup, &c., &c.  
Dr Townsend's Sarsaparilla

Families waited on for orders, and goods delivered in all parts of the district at Cromwell prices.

## WAKATIP BREWERY.

**MESSRS SURMAN AND DAVIS**  
beg to inform the Public of Cromwell and the surrounding districts that, in order to meet the constantly increasing demand for their

**ALES,**

they have appointed Messrs D. A. JOLLY & Co. their AGENTS IN CROMWELL.

Messrs D. A. JOLLY and Co. will from this date be in a position to supply Wakatip Ale (of prime quality) in bulk or bottle, at prices that will defy competition.

Ale or Porter, 12s per doz.

Queenstown, October 30, 1871.

**DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,**  
HAVING RECEIVED A NEW AND SELECT  
ASSORTMENT OF  
**IRONMONGERY,**  
Beg to call public attention to the following:—

Blasting Powder and Fuse; Long and Short handle Shovels; Picks, Pick Handles, and Sluice Forks; Pannikins, Gold Dishes, Billies; Galvanised Iron Buckets; American Tubs, Buckets, and Brooms; Axes and Handles; Manila Ropes for mining purposes; Drilling Hammers and Handles; White Lead; Castor Oil in bulk; Washing-boards; Brushware of every description; Nails; Canvas; Hose Pipes.—Contracts undertaken for supplying Mining Co.'s with Material of all kinds, on liberal terms. Free delivery.

**DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.'S  
DEPOT FOR MINING TOOLS,  
CROMWELL.**

## Cromwell Advertisement

**I. HALLENSTEIN and Co.,**  
GENERAL IMPORTERS,

**CROMWELL, QUEENSTOWN, ARROWTOWN, & MELBOURNE.**

WE have much pleasure in calling the attention of the inhabitants generally to our Large Stock, as enumerated in this advertisement. It does not detail all the articles we keep, for to do so would be almost impossible. We have endeavoured to enumerate all the principal articles of each class; but every want necessary in a Mining, Agricultural, and Pastoral community can be supplied.

All our purchases being for cash, we thus possess an advantage that few are able to avail themselves of.

We therefore respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage hitherto bestowed, with the conviction that all orders entrusted to our care will be promptly executed, and the articles found to be of good value.

**Drapery.**—The attention of Ladies is respectfully directed to this Department. It will be found replete with all the latest novelties from the Melbourne markets, and arrangements have been made for regular shipments per each steamer.

Dresses, in silks, fancy and black; alpacas, challies, mohairs, winceys, muslins, prints, coburgs Shawls, all-wool plaids, French merinos, skirtings, jackets, &c.

Hosiery, gloves, handkerchiefs, laces, trimmings of all kinds

Ladies' and Children's Underclothing.—Our stock will be found the largest and best-assorted on the Gold-fields

Ladies' and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed

Feathers, flowers, corsets, chignons, &c.

A large assortment of white and coloured flannels, serge and cricketing; calicoes and sheetings; and every other article required in the trade.

**Slop Department.**—Men's Suits, Paget and sac; boys' ditto, Leopold, Stanley, sac, and knickerbocker; Trousers and vests, all kinds

Trousers, in silk mixture, doeskin, tweed, cotton, Bedford cord, and moleskin

Shirts—white dress, regatta, Crimean, serge, Scotch twill, tweed, and jain

Pants and under-shirts, in flannel, lambswool, serge, merino, and cotton

Men's and boys' Hosiery, of all kinds

Hats—straw, merino, tweed, silk-stitched, felt, and plush, in all the latest shapes

Waterproof coats, overalls, leggings, and sou'-westers; monkey jackets and pilot coats

All the above Goods are to our special order.

**Boots and Shoes.**—A splendid assortment, consisting of:

Ladies', girls', and children's boots, in kid, cashmere, morocco, and leather

Slippers—canvas, patent leather (plain and fur-trimmed), sheepskin, and carpet

Men's and boys' boots—elastic-side, Balmoral, Blucher, Wellington, half-Wellington, and riding boots; Colonial water-tights, made to our order in Melbourne

Gum boots—Hayward's North British and Liverpool; Hardy's nuggets.

**Carpets.**—In tapestry, felt, all-wool kidderminster, drugget; hearth-rugs.

**Matting.**—China and coir; oilcloth, door-mats.

**Ironmongery, Mining Tools, and Agricultural Implements.**—Anvils, axes, augers, adzes, balances, bells, bags, blacking, brushes (all kinds), baking-dishes, billies, braces and bitts, black-lead, bellows, boilers, bedsteads, bolts, blocks, candlesticks, chains (various), candle-moulds, colanders, compasses, chisels, coal-scuttles, scoop and vase; corkscrews, coffin furniture, cash-boxes, door-scrappers, drippers, egg-whisks, slice and cups; fuse, frying-pans, funnels, files, fenders and fire-irons, fish-hooks, gimblets, grindstones, graters, glue, gridirons, gold-blowers, dishes and sieves, grates, galls, guns, glue-pots, hammers (all kinds), hoes, jelly-moulds, knives, a large assortment; knives and forks, knife-boards, kettles, lanterns, locks, ladders, milk dishes, cans, strainers, sieves, and yokes; measuring tapes, mops, mallets, nails of every kind, pitch, picks, pumps, powder, pincers, piping, ploughs, quoits, quicksilver, rules, rope, resin, rivets, rasps, rakes, ship scrapers, sickles and bats, slop-pails, saws of all kinds, sieves, seaming twine, sponges, scoops, sheep-shears, saucepans, shovels and spades, spirit-levels, soldering-irons, solder, spokeshaves, shot, steel-yards, scales, screws, staples, stewpans, teapots, trowels, tar, tacks, tubs, trowsers, vices, waiters, washing boards and powder, window furniture of all kinds, writing cases, zinc, &c., &c.

**Timber and Building Materials.**—Shelving, 12 and 14 inches wide; T. and G. lumber T. and G. Scotch Flooring, 1, 2, 3, 1, 1 1/2 inch; beaded and plain match lining Quartering, American hardwood, 3 x 1, 3 x 1 1/2, 3 x 2, 4 x 3, 4 x 6; mouldings, various sizes Galvanised and painted iron, all sizes; rolled zinc, spouting, brackets, down-piping heads Screws, nails, locks, hinges, and bolts; doors, glass, raised panel, and plain sashes, all sizes.

**Paints, Paperhangings, Oils.**—Paints of all kinds; white and red lead; black, green, blue, umbre, ochre, &c.; Oils—raw, boiled, colza, olive, turpentine, &c.; oak and copal varnish, asphaltum, oak-stain, knotting

**Paperhangings.**—a large assortment of drawing-room, sitting-room, bed-room, hall, passage, and ceiling, various; borderings, all kinds.

**Tinware** of every description, a large assortment, all kinds.

**Kitchen Utensils.**—Stoves, boilers, saucepans, kettles, &c.

**Crockery.**—a large and well-assorted department.

**Lamps, Glassware, Kerosene, Lampware.**—large assortment.

**Furniture, Bedding, &c.**—Bedsteads: an assortment of French and stump double, single, and children's bedsteads and cots

Chairs: Ladies, Florence, Lincoln, Fillimore, dining, American wood, spring hair, rocking; easy-chairs, in hair, cane, and wood

Commodore, cheffoniers, children's high and low chairs, cane and wood; chests of drawers

Tables: round and square, dining, loo, and dressing, various

Washstands, in cedar and walnut; towel-horses, mahogany, cedar, turned and plain

Sofas, a large assortment, colonial made, with or without backs, pillows, and cushions

Mattresses: feather, hair, flock, fibre, any size; pillows and bolsters, do. do. do.

**Leather.**—Crap, kip, calf, kangaroo, &c., from the Tannery of Michaelis, Hallenstein, and Co

**Grindery.**—a large assortment.

**Tobacco and Cigars.**—Being direct importers of these goods, buyers can always depend on getting a first-class article.

Tobacco: fancy and aromatic, silver coil, Atlantic cable, old sport, navy, fives, sixes, tens, imperial ruby, gold bar; dark aromatic—tens, bashful lover, little sunshade, monster; Barrett's twist and cut tobaccos; snuff

Cigars: Trabucos, Havana, Princess, and Swiss.

**Stationery and Books.**—Account-books, all sizes and bindings; minute-books, bill-files, blotting-paper, memo. books, copying letter-books, copy and exercise books, date-cases, envelopes, all kinds and sizes; elastic band-books, foolscap (plain and ruled), gum mucilage, ink of all kinds; inkstands, a large variety; letter balances, clips, and files; pass-books Note and letter paper, white, blue, and mourning; pens of all kinds, pencils, playing-cards, pocket-books, purses, slates, albums, rulers, sealing-wax, tissue-paper, all colours; desks Books: an assortment of family and pocket Bibles, church services, and prayer-books Poetical Works of Byron, Moore, Scott, Burns, Milton, Cowper, Cook, Campbell, Longfellow Gift books; dictionaries—French, Latin, German, and English; geographies, arithmetics.

**Fancy Goods.**—A large, choice, and varied assortment.

**Patent Medicines.**—Large assortment; also, a variety of Horse Medicines.

**Perfumery.**—"from every flower that breathes a fragrance."

**Saddlery.**—This department will be found very complete, as all goods are manufactured expressly for us by Alston, of Melbourne.

Bridles, with or without bits; a large assortment of ladies' and gentlemen's, double and single rein, Pelham and snaffle; all prices.

Curry-combs and brushes of all kinds; halters; hobbles, various.

Saddles, ladies' and gentlemen's; demy, stock, green hide, and all over hogskin; various prices. Saddle-cloths, kersey, felt; saddle-girths, leather, web; saddle straps, spurs of all kinds; valises, martingales and breastplates, various; stirrup leathers, ladies' slippers and stirrup leathers, cruppers, bits, burnisters, headstalls, ladies' worked saddle-cloths.

Spring cart harness complete, dray harness complete, leading sets complete.

Pack saddles, straps, needles, buckles, hemp knives.

Whips, a large variety; jockey whips, silver mounted, green hide; ladies' twigs, various kinds; buggy whips, cart whips, all sizes; stockwhips and handles, thongs of all kinds.

**Produce.**—Agents for Robertson and Hallenstein, Brunswick Flour Mills, Lake Wakatip.—We have for sale their silk-dressed Flour, (equal to Adelaide); pollard, bran, oats, wheat, barley, chaff. Garden seeds in great variety.

**Sundries.**—Tents, tarpaulins, Manila rope, hose canvas, horse-covers, wheelbarrows, hose-directors, brushware, camp and colonial ovens, candles, lime, &c. &c. &c.

**BARGAINS!—BARGAINS!**

**BARGAINS!**

**BANKRUPT STOCK OF DRAPERY.**

**GENUINE AND UNRESERVED**

**CLEARING SALE**

**NOW GOING ON AT**

**LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.**

**W. TALBOYS,**

**HAVING PURCHASED,** on most advantageous terms, the **BANKRUPT STOCK** of Mr John McDonald, Draper, Palmerston, desires to announce that he will hold a **CLEARING SALE** for ONE MONTH ONLY, during which time purchasers of Drapery will have an opportunity of securing unprecedented Bargains.

**DRESS DEPARTMENT.**

Winceys, from 10d a yard.

Fancy Dresses, from 10/- each.

Prints and Muslins, from 6d.

French Merinos, all colours, at half the usual prices.

**MANCHESTER DEPARTMENT.**

All kinds of Flannels, Sheetings, Towellings, Table Covers, Counterpanes, at greatly reduced prices.

White Calico, from 6d a yard.

**MANTLES AND JACKETS.**

Ladies' Jackets, from 12/6.

Muslin Jackets, from 4/6.

**HATS.**

Ladies' Fashionable Hats, trimmed and untrimmed.

Feathers, Trimmings, and Ladies' & Children's Underclothing at a Great Sacrifice.

Ladies' Stays, 3/6.

Lace Collarettes and Muslin Scarfs, 1/6.

Splendid assortment of New Silk Scarfs.

A large assortment of Albums, Buckles, Ear-rings, Brooches, and Perfumery to be given away.

**HOSIERY.**

Women's Lamb's Wool Hose, 1/6.

White and Brown Cotton, 1/-

**CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.**

Nelson Tweed Suits, from 40/-

Heavy Scotch Tweed, 40/-

Trousers and Vests (Silk-mixed) 20/-

Geelong Tweed Trousers and Vests 27/6.

Brighton Sacs, 17/6; Tweed Sacs, 22/6.

Blue Diagonal and Silk-mixed Sac Coats, 30/-

Tweed Trousers, 10/6; Moleskin, 9/-

Crimean Shirts (fancy check), 3/6.

All-wool Crimean, 7/6.

Tweed Shirts, 8/6 (first-class value).

Flannel Shirts, 7/-

Grey and White Lamb's Wool Pants, 7/6.

Ladies' and Children's Boots in endless variety, from 2/6.

Hayward's Long Gum Boots, 30/-

Men's Elastic Side and Watertight Boots.

**CANVAS! CANVAS! CANVAS!**—best Globe Brand, 1/10

Besides the lines specified (which form a portion of the Bankrupt Stock), the remainder of Goods at London House have been marked at equally low prices, and for excellence and cheapness will be found unequalled.

All who wish to secure some of the **RARE BARGAINS** at **LONDON HOUSE,** Are advised to come quickly,

*As the Goods are going off rapidly.*

**Terms Strictly Cash.**

**ALL ACCOUNTS NOW DUE MUST BE SETTLED AT ONCE.**

**W. TALBOYS,  
LONDON HOUSE,  
CROMWELL.**

## Cromwell Advertisements



**THE CROMWELL BAKERY**  
J. SCOTT,  
BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,  
Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

**VICTORIA STORE, CROMWELL.**

I. WRIGHT,  
FAMILY GROCER.

Crockery, Glassware, Musical Instruments, Brushware, Stationery, Patent Medicines, Fancy Goods and Toys of every description, Paperhangings, Glass, Oils, Colours, Paint, Varnish, Glue, Cue Tips, &c. Thompson's Cement for Cue Tips, English & Colonial Newspapers and Magazines, Oats & Chaff.

**SHAMROCK STORE,**  
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM SHANLY & Co.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION  
MERCHANTS.


A large and varied assortment of  
WINES, SPIRITS, AND GROCERIES.

Goods delivered in all parts of the district  
free of charge.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,  
SHAREBROKER, COMMISSION  
AGENT,  
ARBITRATOR, AND ACCOUNTANT,  
CROMWELL.

Having arranged to devote my time exclusively  
to these occupations, business entrusted to  
my care will receive every attention.

**CROMWELL TIMBER & IRON YARD**  
LATE MR GRANT'S  
NEW ZEALAND & AMERICAN TIMBER YARD  
JAMES TAYLOR,  
Carpenter and Builder, Ironmonger

&c.,  &c.,  
Has FOR SALE all kinds of Building Material  
suitable for the district.  
Estimates given for Buildings at the Lowest  
Prices compatible with Good Material and  
Workmanship.  
Punctuality and attention to all orders may  
be relied on.  
A Large Assortment of Paperhangings  
Paints, Glass, FURNITURE—comprising Chairs  
Tables, Washstands, Iron Bedsteads, &c.  
Building Ironmongery, Carpenters' and Miners'  
Tools, Hemp, Wire, and Manilla Rope,  
SADDLERY, &c., cheap. 25

KARL PRETSCH,  
**COACH & GENERAL PAINTER,**  
etc.,  
Has now PAPERHANGINGS, PAINTS of  
every description, GLASS, and MOULDINGS,  
on Sale at Low Prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting,  
Decoration, and Sign Writing.  
Buggies and Vehicles of every description  
painted in the best style.

Colours Prepared in any Shade required

Address: Next door but one to MARSH'S  
BRIDGE HOTEL, CROMWELL.

[A CARD.]

MR H. W. SMYTHIES  
MINING SURVEYOR,  
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM MACNAB,  
ACCOUNTANT  
AND  
COMMISSION AGENT.

The Registration and Legal Managership of  
Mining Companies undertaken.

## Cromwell



CROMWELL.

**FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,**  
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams,  
Bacon, &c., always on hand.

\* Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout  
the district.

BEEF, BY THE QUARTER, 3½d per lb.



OWEN PIERCE,

**SMITHFIELD CO'S BUTCHERY**  
CROMWELL.

Thanks his customers and the public generally  
for the patronage they have so liberally bestowed  
upon him. He now begs to announce that he is  
in a position to supply

FIRST-CLASS MEAT

AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES:

Mutton (Quarters), 3d. to 4d. per lb.  
Mutton (Sides), 3½ per lb.  
Beef (boiling), 5d. per lb.  
Beef (roasting), 6d. per lb.  
Chops, 6d. per lb.  
Rump Steaks, 8d. per lb.  
Sausages, 9d. per lb.

Families waited on for orders.

Important to Hotelkeepers.

C. NELSON & CO. beg to intimate to the  
public of Cromwell and its environs that  
they have commenced business as Manufacturers  
of LEMONADE and GINGERBEER, in the  
new building in Inniscort-street, at the rear of  
Mr Barry's residence.

A SODA-WATER MACHINE will shortly  
arrive from Dunedin, when C. N. & Co. will be  
in a position to execute orders in this particular  
line.

Orders promptly attended to, and Goods de-  
livered in all parts of the district.  
C. NELSON & CO.



F. SANSON, SADDLER  
AND  
HARNESS-MAKER,

Begs to inform the public that he is carrying on  
business at the Premises lately occupied by Mr  
Raven, in Cromwell, and trusts, by strict atten-  
tion and moderate charges, to merit the public  
patronage.

Collars, Pack-saddles, and Harness of every  
description made on the premises.  
Repairs done on the shortest notice.

WILLIAM BARNES, JUNR.,  
FARRIER AND BLACKSMITH,  
(Opposite Smitham's Kawarau Hotel).

WILLIAM BARNES, Junr., desires to an-  
nounce to the inhabitants of Cromwell  
and the surrounding District that he has com-  
menced business as a

BLACKSMITH & FARRIER,  
in New Premises,

situated opposite Smitham's Kawarau Hotel.

His long practical experience in all branches  
of the Business, combined with MODERATE  
CHARGES, will, he trusts, secure to him a fair  
share of public patronage.

Every Branch of the Business attended to.

BARNES'S  
VETERINARY SHOEING FORGE,  
CROMWELL.

THE undersigned begs to announce that  
having secured a constant supply of  
FAT CATTLE and SHEEP on favourable  
terms, he will shortly commence business as-  
CARCASE BUTCHER  
at Cromwell, and will be prepared to execute  
WHOLESALE ORDERS for BEEF and MUTTON  
at the lowest market rates.

Fat Stock always on hand.

W. J. BARRY,  
WHOLESALE SLAUGHTERMAN.

BEEF AND MUTTON,  
DEAD OR ALIVE,  
WHOLESALE ONLY.

## Cromwell

**KAWARAU HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM SMITHAM.....PROPRIETOR.

The best conducted and most comfortable Hotel  
in the District.

A FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD ROOM,  
With one of Alcock's best Tables.

N.B.—W. S. having erected a large range of  
Stabling, would intimate to Travellers that every  
care will be bestowed upon horses. An experi-  
enced groom in attendance.

**JUNCTION COMMERCIAL HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

JOSEPH HARDING begs to intimate  
that he has purchased from Mr G. W.  
GOODGER the above large and centrally-situated  
Hotel, and is now in a position to offer accommo-  
dation of a superior description to all who may  
favor him with their patronage.

His past experience in the WINE and SPIRIT  
trade, will he trusts, be a sufficient guarantee that  
the Spirits and Malt Liquors served will be as  
pure as on the day they left the vintery or the  
distillery.

The BEDROOMS, PRIVATE PARLORS, &c., are  
fitted up in the best style, and every attention  
will be paid to secure the comfort and conve-  
nience of visitors.

Large and Comfortable

BILLIARD ROOM,  
Fitted with one of Alcock's Tables.

Particular attention has been paid to the  
STABLES

In connection with the Hotel, and the public  
may rely on  
Every Care being taken of their HORSES.

MEALS ready at ALL HOURS of the day.

J. HARDING.

Bridge Hotel, Cromwell.

JOHN MARSH,

OF THE BRIDGE HOTEL, CROMWELL.

IS DETERMINED TO GIVE VALUE FOR MONEY.

DAGG'S  
**CLUTHA HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

Best Accommodation for Visitors.

PRETTY FAIR LIQUOR.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING.

Cromwell Veterinary Shoeing Forge,  
Next door to Kidd's Cromwell Hotel.

EDWARD LINDSAY,  
(Late of Clyde and Melbourne),  
GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, AND  
MACHINIST,

Begs to intimate to his customers and the general  
public that he has REMOVED to his NEW  
PREMISES, next to the Cromwell Hotel, Mel-  
more Terrace, where he will carry on every de-  
scription of Blacksmith work and Farriery as  
heretofore.

E. LINDSAY begs to intimate to the Public  
generally that he has gone to the expense of get-  
ting a CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS on a new  
principle, being the first introduced up-country,  
which he will guarantee to give general satisfac-  
tion; also, that he has made a reduction in the  
price of Horse-shoeing.

LIGHT SHOES - - - 10s.  
DRAUGHT „ - - - 16s.

EDWARD LINDSAY,  
Veterinary Shoeing Forge.

## Cromwell

A. W. ALLANBY,  
**BARRISTER AND SOLICITOR**  
CROMWELL.

THOMAS FOOTE,  
**TAILOR AND CLOTHIER**  
MELMORE TERRACE,  
CROMWELL.  
Ladies' Riding Habits made to order.

JOHN E. BEATTIE, having been  
pointed

RANGER OF MOUNT PISA STATION,

Is prepared to

YARD HORSES AND CATTLE

On the shortest notice.

Terms moderate.

**LETT'S DIARIES FOR 1872**  
FULL SUPPLY.  
I. HALLENSTEIN AND CO.

**CROMWELL COAL PIT**  
NICHOLAS & CO.

Beg to inform the public of Cromwell and  
surrounding district that they have purchas-  
ed the Lease of the above-named Coal Works,  
that they are now in a position to supply COAL  
of excellent quality on the shortest notice,  
at the same rates as heretofore—viz., 20s.  
ton at the Pit, or 32s. per ton delivered.

No INCREASE IN PRICES!

NICHOLAS & CO.,

Coal Merchants.

**VICTORIA FIRE AND GENERAL**  
INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL.....£2,200,000

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,  
AGENTS,  
CROMWELL.

We have Now Opened the  
LARGEST & BEST-SELECTED STOCK  
OF  
DRAPERY AND CLOTHING  
ever seen in Cromwell.

The Goods are marked off at such  
prices as will ensure a speedy sale.

I. HALLENSTEIN AND CO.

Henry's Line of Royal Mail Coaches

EVERY MONDAY, WEDNESDAY  
and FRIDAY, a coach of the above line  
leaves CLYDE for CROMWELL, ARROWTOWN,  
FRANKTON, and QUEENSTOWN, at six a.m.,  
every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday it  
turns to Cromwell and Clyde, leaving Queen-  
stown at six a.m.

Booking Office at Cromwell:—The Golden  
Hotel. J. Y. HENRY, Proprietor.

JOHN MARSH'S  
LIVERY AND BAIT STABLE  
adjoining the  
BRIDGE HOTEL, CROMWELL.

Saddle and Harness Horses on Hire.

Charges Moderate.

A First-Class Groom.

**WATERS'S PATENT MANGLE**

MRS REID (next door to Heron's WH  
Hart Hotel) is prepared to mangle Bed and Table  
linen for Families in Best Style, at moder-  
ate prices.

NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, beg to inform  
inhabitants of the Cromwell, Alexander,  
and Clyde districts that we have appointed

I. Hallenstein and Co., Cromwell,  
As our only AGENTS for the sale of our Salt

dressed

FLOUR, BRAN, AND POLLARD.

We guarantee all Flour branded with  
our name, and obtained through the above agents

ROBERTSON & HALLENSTEIN,

Brunswick Flour Mills,

LAKE WAKATIPU.

Bannockburn

**STUART'S FERRY,**  
KAWARAU RIVER.



Main crossing-place between Cromwell and the Nevis for Waggon, Drays, Horses, and Foot passengers.

Children attending School, Free.  
**THE FERRY HOTEL**

Has first-class accommodation for Travellers.

**BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,**  
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,  
(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retained at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

The new Ferry being now OPEN FOR TRAFFIC, the Public are invited to cross the Kawarau River on the

**BEST PUNT IN THE PROVINCE,** which is on the direct road to Bannockburn, the Nevis, and the Carrick Range Reefs.

John Richards - Proprietor.

**BANNOCKBURN TIMBER YARD**  
AND CARPENTER'S SHOP.

JAMES TAYLOR,

CROMWELL TIMBER AND IRON YARD,  
Begs to inform the Residents of BANNOCKBURN, NEVIS, POTTERS, &c., that in order to meet the increasing requirements of those districts, he has opened a Branch Establishment at Doctor's Flat, opposite Mr Richards' Store.

A good supply of TIMBER and IRON for Building and Mining purposes always on hand.

Best Material and Workmanship Cheap for Cash.

**WILLIAM SUTHERLAND & CO.,**  
(Late of Logantown),

GENERAL BLACKSMITHS & FARRIERS,  
Beg to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that they have removed to CARRICKTOWN, next to Mc Cormick's Carrick Range Hotel, where they hope, by strict attention to business, and reasonable charges, to merit a share of their patronage.

**CARRICK RANGE HOTEL.**  
CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,  
Opposite the Royal Standard Co.'s Battery),  
QUARTZVILLE.

A spacious, well-lighted, and completely-furnished BILLIARD ROOM, with one of Pacer's Best Tables.

The Carrick Range Hotel is within easy distance of the various Reefs, and an excellent dray-road (constructed at great expense by the Royal Standard Company) extends from the base to the summit of the Range.

The accommodation comprises Bar and Bar Parlour, handsomely fitted up; large and well-furnished Dining Room; Private Parlour; magnificent Hall, large and lofty, built expressly for Balls, Public meetings, &c.; and an extensive suite of really comfortable and commodious Single and Double Bed Rooms.

The premises will be found replete with every convenience; and the Proprietor confidently asserts that the Carrick Range Hotel affords to every class of visitors accommodation unsurpassed by any up-country hotel in Otago.

The situation is extremely picturesque, commanding a magnificent view of Mount Pisa, the Grandview Mountains, and the Upper Clutha Valley.

Table d'Hôte Daily from 12 till 2.

The culinary arrangements are under competent management, and it is the determination of the proprietor to maintain this department in the highest state of efficiency.

First-class Six-stalled Stable attached.

Saddle Horses for Hire on Moderate Terms.

**CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,**  
QUARTZVILLE.

(The only Hotel in the vicinity of the Reefs.)

JOHN MCCORMICK,  
Proprietor.

Bannockburn

**QUARTZVILLE BUTCHERY.**

JOHN GRINDLEY

Begs to announce to the Public of Bannockburn and the Carrick Range, that he has opened a Butchering Establishment in the Township of QUARTZVILLE, next door to the Carrick Range Hotel, where he will always have on hand a supply of Prime BEEF, MUTTON and PORK, at the lowest market rates.

A choice assortment of SMALL GOODS constantly on hand.

Orders delivered in any part of the District.

**BANNOCKBURN COAL MINE.**

LOGAN & SCOTT,

COAL MERCHANTS,

Having obtained a lease of the above well-known Coal Works, beg to inform the residents at Bannockburn, Carrick Range, Bendigo, Kawarau Gorge, and throughout the district, that they are prepared to SUPPLY (in any quantity) COAL of excellent quality, at 15s. per ton taken from the pit's mouth; or, delivered, 1s 9d per bag and upwards, according to distance.

N.B.—Drays leave the Bannockburn for Cromwell twice a week. Loading carried back on reasonable terms. 105

**ALL NATIONS HOTEL**  
CARRICKTON.

J. ALLEY begs to inform the inhabitants of the Carrick Range and Bannockburn district that the above hotel is now completed, and that he will be happy to receive a visit from his numerous friends and acquaintances.

First-class Accommodation for Visitors.

Wines, Spirits, and Beers of the best quality.

Kawarau Gorge

NOTICE.

**ROBERT INGLIS** begs to inform the inhabitants of Cromwell and surrounding districts that he has commenced business as a BUILDER AND CONTRACTOR.

All kinds of building completed with permanency and despatch. Plans, Specifications, and Estimates prepared for any design, at moderate charges.

In connection with the above, we are prepared to deliver to any part of the district LIME of Superior Quality, BRICKS in any quantity, and COAL, unequalled in any part of the district. By the supply of a good article, combined with moderate prices, we hope to earn a share of public patronage and support.

INGLIS & BINGE.

Orders addressed to Robert Inglis, or Charles Binge, Kawarau Gorge, will receive prompt attention.

A dray visits Cromwell daily. Back loading taken at moderate rates.

Gorge, 1st February, 1872.

Bendigo

**JOSIAH MITCHINSON,**

Wholesale and Retail

STOREKEEPER,

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANT,

WAKEFIELD STORE,

(Near Cromwell Quartz Co.'s Machine),  
BENDIGO.

GOODS DELIVERED

At all parts of the Reefs.

BENDIGO POST OFFICE.

Interest at the rate of 12½ per cent charged on all accounts due over two months.

**IMPERIAL HOTEL,**  
PRINCES-STREET SOUTH,  
DUNEDIN.

Having taken the above hotel, I beg to intimate to my old friends and the public generally that I am prepared to offer the best accommodation to Boarders, private families, and Travellers, at Moderate Charges.

Very superior accommodation for Wedding Parties, &c.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING.—Horses, Buggies, and Carriages on hire.

165 W. H. HAYDON.

Luggate

**ALBION HOTEL AND STORE,**

LUGGATE,

28 miles from Cromwell, on the main road to Lake Wanaka).

H. MAIDMAN ..... Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation for the comfort and convenience of travellers.

Groceries, Clothing, Drapery, Ironmongery Mining Tools, &c., constantly on hand, at Cromwell prices.

GOOD STABLING.

N.B.—District Post Office.

Hawea and Wanaka

**HAWEA SAW-MILLS,**  
LAKE HAWEA.

ISEL, FARQUHAR, & ROSS,  
PROPRIETORS.

SAWN TIMBER

Of all descriptions can be supplied from the above Mills at Cromwell, Cardrona, or any other part of the district.

POSTS and RAILS, and all kinds of MINING TIMBER.

**WANAKA HOTEL, PEMBROKE.**

The above hotel, which is delightfully situated on the margin of the Wanaka Lake, offers to the tourist and pleasure-seeker advantages rarely to be met with.

The scenery in the neighbourhood is exceedingly picturesque; and on an Island in the Lake there is excellent rabbit-shooting.

An excellent Four-stalled STABLE, and a PADDOCK, for horses.

THEODORE RUSSELL,

Proprietor.

Alexandra

**MANUHERIKIA BREWERY,**  
ALEXANDRA

**THEYERS & BECK** beg to announce that they are prepared to supply their SPARKLING XXXX ALES in any quantity.

Delivered free of cartage within twenty miles.

Orders left with

Mr THEYERS, Alexandra;

Mr C. P. BECK, Clyde;

Or at the BREWERY, will be promptly attended to.

THEYERS AND BECK,

BREWERS,

ALEXANDRA.

Clyde

**MEDICAL HALL, CLYDE**

M. MARSHALL,

CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST,

SUNDERLAND-ST., CLYDE.

Prescriptions carefully prepared.

**BOOKSELLER, STATIONER, AND NEWS VENDER.**

Importer of English, Foreign, and Colonial Newspapers and Magazines.

Libraries and Magazine Clubs supplied at a small advance upon English prices.

**CROMWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.**

The Reading-room is open to Subscribers on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

The Library contains an extensive variety of Books in every department of literature; and about £60 worth of New Works is expected to arrive shortly from Great Britain.

All the Provincial Newspapers, and a number of English Papers and Periodicals, are regularly received for the use of Subscribers.

Annual Subscription, £1 1s; Half-Yearly, 12s 6d; Quarterly, 7s 6d.

Cromwell

**WATCH, CLOCK, JEWELLERY,**  
AND FANCY REPOSITORY.

H. WAEBER,

PRACTICAL WATCHMAKER AND JEWELLER,  
CROMWELL,

Has removed to his NEW PREMISES.

All Repairs of Watches or Clocks Guaranteed for Twelve Months.

H. W. begs to notify that he has also on hand TOBACCOS, CIGARS, and a variety of Meerschaum and Briar PIPES, MOUTHPIECES, &c.

TOBACCOS

(Of the Finest Quality)

5s. PER POUND.

Nevis

**BRITISH STORES,**

Nevis.

Arrowtown

**R. PRITCHARD,**  
Wholesale and Retail Storekeeper,  
WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANT,  
ARROWTOWN.

The largest and best-assorted stock of Wines, Spirits, Groceries, and Provisions in the district. A well-assorted stock of Boots and Shoes, Drapery, &c.

Agent for T. ROBINSON & Co., Agricultural Implement Manufacturers, Dunedin & Melbourne

Queenstown

**JOHN O. MARDELL,**  
MINING AGENT, SHAREBROKER,  
AND  
General Commission Agent,  
Valuator, and Accountant,  
ARROWTOWN AND QUEENSTOWN.  
Stock, Agricultural Produce, and General Merchandise Bought and Sold on Commission.

**ROBERT BOYNE,**  
GENERAL STOREKEEPER  
AND NEWS AGENT,  
Queenstown, Lake Wakatip.

A large stock of Groceries and other goods always on hand. Importer of English and Colonial Newspapers. Orders punctually attended to, and newspapers forwarded to any part of the district.

Agent for the CROMWELL ARGUS.

[A CARD.]

**D. POWELL,**  
AUCTIONEER, &c.

SALE ROOMS - BALLARAT-STREET,  
QUEENSTOWN.

OFFICE:

Ballarat-st. (opposite the Family Hotel)

NOTICE.

**SUBSIDIES TO WORKS FOR THE SUPPLY OF WATER UPON THE GOLD-FIELDS.**

Companies or Persons desirous of making APPLICATION for SUBSIDIES under the "Immigration and Public Works Act," will obtain the necessary information at the Warden's Office.—(See New Zealand Gazette, Jan. 1872).

(Signed) C. E. HAUGHTON,

Under-Secretary for Public Works,

Gold-fields Department.

Dunedin, January 12, 1872.

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PROSPECTUS  
OF THE  
CARRICK RANGE WATER SUPPLY  
COMPANY, REGISTERED.

CAPITAL . . . . . £12,000,  
IN SHARES OF £1 EACH.

INTERIM DIRECTORS:

JAMES COWAN, Esq.  
IGNATIUS LOUGHNAN, Esq., J.P.  
JAMES HAZLETT, Esq., J.P.  
JAMES P. TAYLOR, Esq., J.P.  
JAMES STUART, Esq.  
G. W. GOODGER, Esq.  
JAMES MARSHALL, Esq.

TREASURER:

JAMES P. TAYLOR, Esq., J.P.

SOLICITOR:

A. W. ALLANBY, Esq.

SECRETARY:

MR H. W. SMYTHIES.

BANKERS:

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

SURVEYOR:

H. W. SMYTHIES, Esq.

THE Company is formed for the purpose of supplying to the large Mining District of CARRICK RANGE and BANNOCKBURN a quantity of Water sufficient to, in some measure, enable the well-known auriferous resources of that district to be developed. By the proposed scheme, the necessity for further Steam machinery for Quartz-crushing purposes will be dispensed with; and by the substitution of Water-power, a saving of 50 per cent will be effected, besides stimulating the erection of additional Quartz-crushing Mills. By a judicious distribution of the supply, the Water can be made available many times, as the altitude at which it will be delivered on the Range (being within two hundred feet of the summit) will enable the Company to dispose of its use at various levels until its final debouch into the Kawarau River.

The proposed Race will command at least thirty square miles of well-proved, highly auriferous ground on the Carrick Range, which nothing but the absence of water has hitherto prevented from being profitably worked. Mr HAUGITON, in his Report on the Water Schemes to be initiated by Government aid, referred in highly eulogistic terms to the desirability of this scheme, and to its undoubted success. There are at present three Steam Quartz-crushing Machines on the Range, and these are stopped frequently through want of water, and are subject to a heavy outlay for procuring coal. These difficulties will be effectually overcome by the successful carrying out of the proposed scheme.

The undoubted payable character of the undertaking has induced many private parties to propose a similar scheme, but the cost has invariably prevented its furtherance; and it has been acknowledged that, to ensure a successful issue, the undertaking should be placed in the position of a substantial Company.

The line of Race has been marked out, and the necessary levels have been taken, by our Surveyor (Mr SMYTHIES), with the view of ascertaining the practicability of the scheme; and it has been estimated by him that about £7000 will be required to construct the Main Race, of which a portion will have to be flumed.

The Company, recognising the necessity of having a capital to command any contingencies, and with a view of compensating the Promoters, nineteen in number, (some of whom have relinquished large private rights in favour of the Company), have made the Capital £12,000; and the Promoters have agreed to accept £1050 in paid-up shares, as compensation for their rights and expenses in the matter,—thus leaving £10,950 available for the prosecution of the works.

The Company propose bringing in Sixteen Heads of Water, and the disposal of that quantity at current rates will secure to the Company large and permanent dividends.

It is also intended to obtain such Subsidy from the Government as may be granted, should the terms be suitable.

So soon as a sufficient number of Shares have been applied for to insure the existence of the Company, a general meeting of Shareholders will be called for the election of permanent officers, and to take steps to register the Company.

It has been settled by the Promoters that 1/- per share be paid on application; that 2/6 be paid on allotment; and that no calls be made at less intervals than one calendar month, and shall not exceed 2/6 each call.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To the Secretary of the Carrick Range Water Supply Company, Registered, Cromwell.

Sir,—I hereby make application for . . . . . Shares in your Company, or any less number that may be allotted to me; and I enclose . . . . . being deposit of one shilling per share on the above number, subject to the terms recited in the Prospectus.

Signature . . . . .

Address . . . . .

TRY  
MARSH'S ADELAIDE WINE  
IF YOU WANT A TREAT. 89

JUST ARRIVED,—FIRST-CLASS  
CANVAS,

Manufactured expressly for Staving.

JAMES TAYLOR,  
CROMWELL TIMBER YARD.

NOTICE.

POISON for DOGS is laid on ARDGOUR  
STATION. ALEX. McLEAN,  
Manager.

NOTICE.

POISON for DOGS will be laid on  
MOUNT PISA STATION on and after this  
date. I. LOUGHNAN.

Mount Pisa, May 12th 1870.—27tc

EVENING CLASS.—Should a sufficient number of Pupils offer themselves on Monday the 26th February, or Monday the 4th March, an Evening Class will be commenced in the Schoolroom, Cromwell.  
D. MACKELLAR.

FOR SALE,—A WATER RACE,  
carrying FOUR HEADS; together with a CLAIM, TOOLS, and a substantial HOUSE and GARDEN (the latter in full crop), at Quartz Reef Point. There is always sufficient water to work the ground, and good wages can be made.  
Apply to GEO. JENOUR,  
t.c. Cromwell.

P. SMITH,

WATCH AND CLOCK MAKER,  
CROMWELL,  
(Adjoining Lindsay's Blacksmith's Shop).

EDWARD MURRELL,  
CHRONOMETER,

WATCH, AND CLOCK MAKER,  
FROM

Mr J. HISLOP'S, Princes-st., Dunedin.  
Begg most respectfully to inform the inhabitants of Cromwell and the surrounding districts that he has commenced business in the above line in all its branches, and hopes by strict attention to business, and punctuality, to receive a share of public patronage.

All work guaranteed for twelve months.

Lowest possible charges consistent with good Workmanship.

All kinds of Watches, Clocks, and Musical Boxes cleaned and repaired.

Jewellery made and repaired.—Pipes mounted.

Observe the address—

ADJOINING MARSH'S BRIDGE HOTEL.

JOHN RICHARDS,

Proprietor of the

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE  
AND OF

RICHARDS'S FERRY, BANNOCKBURN,  
Being anxious to retire from business, offers FOR SALE the whole of his PROPERTY, which will be disposed of either in one lot, or separately, to suit purchasers.

THE PROPERTY COMPRISES:

1. The BANNOCKBURN HOTEL, situate at the junction of the Ferry Roads, and fronting the road to Carrick Range and Nevis. The house contains a spacious Hall for public meetings; large Dining-room, two Sitting-rooms, five Bed-rooms, Bar-room, and every accommodation for carrying on a large business. Attached to the Hotel is a substantially-built Stable; also, Stockyard, Sheds, and other out-buildings.
2. The GENERAL STORE, now doing a large, lucrative, and steady trade, established upwards of four years; together with the STOCK-IN-TRADE, including Soft Goods, Provisions, Hardware, and every variety of goods required in a mining district.
3. The BAKERY & BUTCHERY BUSINESS, with Baker's Oven, Butcher's Shop, and all necessary appliances.
4. The SELF-ACTING PUNT, BOAT, and GEAR belonging to the Upper Ferry.
5. An EIGHTH SHARE in the ELIZABETH Quartz-Mining Company, Carrick Range,—acknowledged to be one of the best mining properties in the Province.
6. FRUIT GARDEN, comprising an acre of ground, substantially fenced, and planted with Fruit Trees of all descriptions.

The only reason for wishing to dispose of the above Properties, is that Mr Richards, having been in the district since the outbreak of the Dunstan Rush, is now desirous of retiring altogether from active business.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

The PARTNERSHIP (if any) existing between WILLIAM & MICHAEL SHANLY, carrying on business as General Storekeepers, at Melmore Terrace, Cromwell, was DISSOLVED by mutual consent on the 22nd day of December, 1871.

(Signed) { WILLIAM SHANLY.  
MICHAEL SHANLY.

Witness to the signature of W. SHANLY:

A. BROUGH,  
Solicitor, Clyde.

Witness to the signature of MICHAEL SHANLY:

W. W. WILSON,  
Solicitor, Clyde.

NOTICE.

In reference to the above, I beg to inform my friends and customers that all DEBTS due to the late firm MUST BE PAID to me on or before the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1872; and that my receipt for the same will alone be binding.  
WILLIAM SHANLY.

New Advertisements.

WHEELBARROWS  
Suitable for Mining purposes, at  
I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.'S.

TO QUARTZ-MINERS.

WANTED, for the ALEXANDRA REEF COMPANY, a PRACTICAL WORKING MANAGER. Salary, £5 a week. Applications, with testimonials, to be sent in to the Secretary on or before the 28th instant.  
GEORGE EVANS,  
Alexandra.

I, THE undersigned CHARLES COLCLOUGH, hereby make application to REGISTER the NIL DESPERANDUM QUARTZ-MINING COMPANY under the provisions of the "Mining Companies Limited Liability Act, 1865," and the Amendments thereof; and I do sincerely and solemnly declare that the following statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular:—

The Style of the Company is, "Nil Desperandum Quartz-Mining Company, Registered."

The place of operations is at Pipeclay Gully, Carrick Range.

The nominal capital of the Company is seven thousand pounds, in fourteen hundred shares of five pounds each.

The amount paid up in cash is four hundred pounds.

The amount allotted in partly paid-up shares is one thousand pounds.

The office of the Company is at Cromwell.

The name of the Manager is Charles Colclough.

The names in full and several residences of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows:—

Thomas Montagu, Carrick	200 shares
Thomas Hall, Carrick	200 shares
James Russell, Carrick	200 shares
James McNulty, Roaring Meg	200 shares
Edward McNulty, Roaring Meg	200 shares
Henry Waeber, Cromwell	200 shares
John Alves, Dunedin	200 shares

Dated this 14th day of February, 1872.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,

Witness to signature:

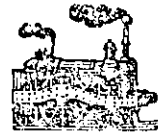
JAMES TAYLOR, J.P.



CROMWELL BUTCHERY  
(WHOLESALE AND RETAIL).

OWEN PIERCE - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on hand, and sold at the Lowest Prices.



FRASER, WISHART, & CO.,  
RAILWAY FOUNDRY,  
GREAT KING STREET, DUNEDIN.

All kinds of Castings in Iron and Brass:  
Stampers; Quartz-Crushing Machinery  
Cast Iron Sluice and Ripple Plates  
Overshot, Breast, & Undershot Water-wheels  
Steam Engines made and repaired.  
Castings supplied for all kinds of Reaping, Threshing, and Horse-power Machines.  
Furnace Bars; Fire-proof Doors & Safes. [170]

WANTED TO KNOW who is the Owner of the Celebrated Race-horse TWO MASTER KING, that WON THE HOSPITAL RACE, as I wish to communicate with him.

OLD SPORT.

LOST, on SATURDAY, the 17th inst. in Melmore Terrace, Cromwell, TWENTY FIVE-POUND NOTES. The finder will be rewarded on returning the same to the office of this paper.

ROB ROY QUARTZ-MINING CO

A Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at HALLIDAY'S Shepherd Creek Hotel, Bannockburn, on SATURDAY, 24th inst., at 4 p.m. sharp.—By order,  
C. COLCLOUGH.

ELIZABETH QUARTZ-MINING COMPANY, REGISTERED.

The DIRECTORS of the above Company are requested to meet at Mr TALBOYS' London House on WEDNESDAY, 21st instant, at 4 p.m.  
C. COLCLOUGH,  
Manager.

NOTICE.—All DEBTS due to HUGH M'PHERSON, of Wakefield Ferry, must be paid to him on or before 20th March next, otherwise Legal Proceedings will be taken to recover the same; and all accounts against him must be rendered on or before that date.  
21 HUGH M'PHERSON.

CHALLENGE.—We, the undersigned, hereby Challenge any two persons within 20 miles of Cromwell to play DOMINOES, for £5 or £10 aside,—the challenge to remain open for one week.  
WM. HOLLEY.  
JOHN E. BEATTIE.

NOTICE.

DANCING AND DEPORTMENT.

Mr COOK will open a class for the above in Mr SMITH'S ASSEMBLY ROOM, on THURSDAY, 22nd inst., at 8 p.m. For particulars, apply to Mr WILLIAM TAYLOR, Bootmaker, Cromwell.

TENDERS are required for the erection of a STONE BUILDING for the STAN and OAK Crushing Companies. Separate tenders for Carpenter and Mason work. Plans and Specifications to be seen on Friday, at the Companies Office, and tenders to be sent in by 6 p.m. on SATURDAY, the 24th instant.

(Signed) JAMES MARSHALL,  
Legal Manager.

DEATH.

At Kawarau Gorge, on the 16th February, EMMA, the beloved wife of Mr Peter Hosking, and sister of Mr John Towan; aged 30.

Cromwell Argus,  
AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, FEB. 20, 1872.

We are happy to report that a very promising reef has been struck at a depth of 55ft in the shaft of the Rob Roy claim, adjoining the Heart of Oak. The lode, when first discovered, was fifteen inches in thickness, with gold visible, and the walls of the reef are well defined.

The New Royal Standard Company finished a crushing of 120 tons last Tuesday, and obtained from that quantity about 40 ozs. of gold. The stone crushed was taken from a slope ten feet in width; and although the average does not equal that of several former crushings, the great facility with which the claim can be worked enables the Company to clear expenses with a very small yield of gold.

A crushing for the Royal Standard Company was expected to be retorted to-day.

The unusual spectacle of a harvesting match was witnessed last Tuesday in a field belonging to Mr W. Edwards, at the Nevis Ferry. The match had been arranged between Mr G. W. Goodger, of Cromwell, and Mr George Redhead, of Kawarau Gorge; and the conditions were that each was to mow, gather, and bind an acre of ripe oats without assistance of any kind. The challenge emanated from Mr Goodger, and the amount of money staked was £25 a side. A considerable number of the friends of the competitors were present during the match, and great interest was manifested in the result. The two acres of growing corn having been duly comparted, the men drew lots for choice of ground, and the allotment which contained the heaviest of the crop fell to Mr Goodger's share. The scythes were set in vigorous motion, and were deftly handled by the rival mowers. Mr Redhead completed his task 24 minutes in advance of his opponent,—the latter having 42 sheaves to bind when Mr Redhead had finished. The time occupied was about four hours and a half.

Trial crushings of eight tons each from two of the quartz-claims in Pipeclay Gully, Carrick Range, have given the following excellent results:—Nil Desperandum, 9 oz. 12 dwts.; Robert Burns, 12 ozs. The average per ton was 1 oz. 4 dwts. from the Nil Desperandum, and 1½ oz. from the Robert Burns. The crushings took place at the Royal Standard Company's battery, Quartzville.

Mr Cook, professor of dancing and calisthenics, purposes opening classes in Cromwell for instruction in these important branches of physical education. Names of pupils will be received up till Thursday evening. Mr Cook is, we believe, a thoroughly efficient teacher, and his present effort to supply a long-felt want should meet with every encouragement.

The long-standing dispute between the Corporation of Cromwell and Mr Jenour, formerly Town Clerk, has at length been brought to an issue; but whether that issue will prove to be final, or otherwise, is still uncertain. The matters in dispute were submitted, by mutual consent, to the decision of arbitrators specially appointed; and the result is that Mr Jenour is found to be indebted to the Corporation in the sum of £23, which amount, in addition to £6 costs of arbitration, he has been formally requested to hand over to the Treasurer of the Corporation.

With sincere regret we record the demise, on Friday last, of one whose loss will be keenly felt by a large circle of friends, as well as by her bereaved husband and family. Mrs Hosking (a sister of Mr John Towan, of the Grove Farm), has been a resident of Kawarau Gorge for the past three years, and during the greater part of that time she was afflicted with that insidious disease, consumption. A few weeks ago she gave birth to her fourth child, and the physical prostration superinduced by the confinement, in conjunction with the wasted condition of the lungs prior to that event, caused her medical attendant (Dr Thomson) to despair of her recovery. The sufferer continued to sink gradually until the afternoon of the 16th inst., when she breathed her last. Four young children, including an infant three weeks old, have thus been deprived of their maternal comfort; and many besides those of her own household will share in the sorrow caused by her early removal from our midst.

The Clutha Races were held at Balclutha on the 8th and 9th inst. Countess, a local horse, won the Maiden Plate; and the Handicap Trotting Race was won by Mr Pollock's Maggie. Slander carried off the Clutha Handicap, beating Backbiter and Lyndon. Don Pedro won the Handicap Hurdle Race, beating Honest John by half a head. The District Plate fell to Pollock's Raven, beating Ayson's Countess. Backbiter won the Publican's Handicap.—Yatterina, who ran first, being disqualified for running inside a post.

Another of the Maori prisoners confined in Dunedin gaol—a young lad of seventeen—died a few days ago. This is the eighteenth Maori prisoner who has died since the arrival of the batch in November 1869.

The Oamaru Jockey Club Races are announced to come off on the 12th and 13th of March; and the Dunedin Races on the 23rd and 25th of the same month.

From an official return published in the New Zealand Gazette of January 31, we learn that the total quantity of gold exported from the 1st April 1857 to 31st December 1871, was 6,272,878 ozs., valued at £54,352,099. The export of gold for 1871 amounted to 730,029 ozs., of the value of £2,787,520; while in 1870 the quantity was 544,880 ozs., and the value £2,156,525: thus showing an increase in favour of 1871 to the extent of 185,149 ozs., representing the value of £630,995.

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

PER CREVILLE'S TELEGRAM COMPANY, REUTER'S AGENTS.

### DUNEDIN,

TUESDAY, 9 A.M.

The Interprovincial Four-oared Race for £150 was rowed on the Avon Estuary on Saturday, and resulted as follows:—Lyttelton, 1; Kaiapoi, 2; Wellington, 3; Amalgamated Crew (Christchurch), 4; Avon, 5; Otago, 6; Canterbury Club, 7.

The Nevada sailed for San Francisco at 10 a.m. yesterday, having on board 800 bales of wool.

The wool-ship May Queen, for London, also sailed yesterday.

Auckland telegrams of the 17th state that the investigation of the charge against Haley (for burning the Kerosene Bond) is proceeding. The principal link in the evidence is a letter received by the editor of the *Daily Southern Cross*, detailing the manner in which the fire occurred, the handwriting of which has been identified as Haley's.

The report that H.M.S. Rosario has been retaliating upon the natives of the Solomon Islands for the murder of Bishop Patteson, turns out to be a canard.

Her Majesty's ship Basilisk found a waterlogged vessel from Auckland burnt off Cape York. The only persons on board were a number of South Sea Islanders, who were in various stages of starvation.

## MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The usual monthly meeting of the Council was held in the Town Hall on Monday evening, the 12th instant, there being present, the Mayor (Mr Taylor), and Crs Fraer and Shanly.

The minutes of the last monthly meeting, and those of a special meeting held on the 5th inst., were read and confirmed.

The outward correspondence was then read, and approved of; it consisted of letters to Messrs C. Hickey, M.P.C., T. L. Shepherd, M.H.R., J. Marsh, and G. Jenour.

A letter was read from Mr C. Hickey, stating that in his letter to the Government in reference to the Quartz Reef Point track he had recommended that the land to be given in payment for the work should be selected from the Hawea Hundred; and a letter was read from the Under Secretary, in reply to the letter mentioned by Mr Hickey, stating that the land could be selected from any lands open for sale in the Province.

Letters were read from the Provincial Treasurer and the Under Secretary,—the former stating that the subsidy had been paid into the Bank of New South Wales; and the latter informing the Council, in reply to a letter from the Town Clerk, that the Government did not at present deem it advisable to remove the Warden's quarters from Clyde to Cromwell.

A letter was read from Mr Jenour, acknowledging receipt of a letter from the Town Clerk in reference to the late arbitration case, and stating that he "would write again on the matter in the course of the succeeding week."

Letters were read from Mr C. Colclough and Messrs Matthews and Fenwick, in reference to leases for the Municipal property rented by them.

The Town Clerk was instructed to ascertain from Mr Brough the cost of obtaining leases for all the tenants of the Council.

On the motion of Cr Shanly, the Town Clerk was directed to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the letters from Mr Hickey and the Provincial Treasurer.

Cr Fraer proposed—"That the Town Clerk request Mr Brough's opinion on the arbitration with Jenour."

Seconded by Cr Shanly, and carried.

The following accounts were passed for payment:—Messrs J. Marsh and D. MacKellar, (Arbitrators,) £3 3s.; J. M. Kelly, £8 8s.; H. W. Smythies, (Town Clerk,) £20 16s.; H. W. Smythies, (Surveyor,) £2 12s.; W. Fenwick, £11 12s.; Matthews and Fenwick, £12 7s. 6d.; I. Hallenstein and Co., £11 7s. 6d.; D. MacKellar and J. S. Burres (Assessors), £5 6s.; W. Barnes, £2 13s.

## CARRICK RANGE WATER SUPPLY COMPANY.

In accordance with an advertisement in last week's issue of this journal, a meeting of the shareholders in the above Company was held in the Town Hall, Cromwell, on Thursday afternoon last. There was a good attendance, and the Mayor (Mr James Taylor) was voted to the chair.

The CHAIRMAN, in opening the meeting, said that they had met for the purpose of considering the advisability of taking immediate steps to have the Company registered, and also for the election of permanent directors. There were over 930 shares taken up, 500 of which had been applied for within the past week. The Interim Directors were perfectly satisfied with this result, and were of opinion that the time had arrived when the Company should be registered, and permanent Directors and office-bearers should be appointed. They would be in a position to commence work in a fortnight, and the branch creeks between the saddle and Coal Creek could be brought in before winter. He would call on the Secretary to read the minutes of the various meetings of projectors.

The Secretary (Mr SMYTHIES) having read the minutes of the projectors' meetings, and also of the meeting of the Provisional Directors, at which it was resolved to hold the meeting of shareholders,

The CHAIRMAN said he wished to impress on the shareholders the necessity of electing Directors who would push the affair ahead. They did not want names as in the first instance, but men who would do all in their power for the Company.

The question as to whether the Company should be registered immediately or not was then opened by

Mr BAIRD, who considered they were premature in taking any steps in the matter until 1500 or 2000 shares had been taken up.

Mr COLCLOUGH did not agree with Mr Baird. He thought that the time to register the Company had arrived. If the Company were registered that would be no reason why they should commence work before the requisite number of shares had been taken up to enable them to do so. They would not spend more than they would have to do if the Company remained unregistered. He would move—"That immediate steps should be taken to have the Company registered."

Mr GOODGER would second Mr Colclough's motion. He felt confident that the affair would be easily and successfully floated.

Mr FRAER did not agree with Mr Colclough. He thought they were premature in taking steps to have the Company registered, and he would propose as an amendment—"That the Company be not registered until 2000 shares are taken up."

Mr BAIRD would second the amendment. If they had 1500 or 2000 shares taken up they would have something tangible to work upon, but with only 900 they had really nothing.

Mr SMYTHIES thought it would have a most injurious effect if it were resolved not to register the Company at present. It had been advertised all over the Province that this meeting was to be held for the purpose of taking steps to have the Company registered, and if that intention was not carried out it would be believed by outsiders that the Company was a failure, and they would consequently be backward in taking up shares. People in Dunedin could not be expected to take up shares until the Company was registered.

Mr STUART thought it would be extremely damaging to go on with the matter in a slow-coach manner. If they wanted the Company successfully floated they must go in as if they meant it,—have the Company registered,

and not be frightened of their pockets. He had had his eye on the scheme for the last five years, and he was certain that if there was no help from outsiders at all, the shares would be all taken up in the district.

The amendment was then put, but lost,—the proposer and seconder only voting for it. The original motion was then carried *nem. con.*

The meeting then proceeded to the election of directors.

After a discussion as to the best number to appoint,

Mr GOODGER proposed—"That five Directors be appointed for six months, and that three form a quorum at meetings."

Seconded by Mr STUART, and carried.

The following gentlemen were, on the motion of Mr STUART, appointed directors:—Messrs Taylor, Marshall, Goodger, Hazlett, and the mover (Mr Stuart).

On the motion of Mr Fraer, seconded by Mr Colclough, Mr Smythies was appointed Legal Manager, at a salary of £40 per annum.

The question of the number of scrip necessary to constitute one or more votes was left to the Directors to report on, and they were also instructed to draw up Bye-laws for the Company and submit them to a meeting of shareholders, to be convened for that purpose.

The following appointments were confirmed:—Solicitor, Mr Allanby; Treasurer, Mr Taylor; Bankers, Bank of New South Wales.

## RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT, QUEENSTOWN.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17.

(Before Richmond Beetham, Esq., R.M.)

### CHARGE OF LIBEL.

William Warren, printer and publisher of the *Lake Wakatip Mail*, appeared in answer to a criminal information preferred against him by Mr James Macassey, of Dunedin, barrister-at-law, for that he did "unlawfully, wilfully, and maliciously publish, in a certain newspaper called the *Wakatip Mail*, a wilful, malicious, and defamatory libel of and concerning" the said James Macassey.

Before the commencement of proceedings, those persons who had been subpoenaed as witnesses in the case were ordered to leave the Court.

The usual practice of calling upon the defendant to plead to the indictment was not followed in this case,—for what reason we are unable to state.

The Prosecutor appeared personally in support of the information, and said that the defendant had published in the *Wakatip Mail* of February 14 an article containing an imputation which, were it proved, would render him (the prosecutor) liable to serious penal consequences. The particular portion of the article referred to was as follows:—"It is currently reported that Mr Miller has—for a consideration—retired in favour of Mr Macassey." The publication of such a rumour was likely to expose him (the prosecutor) to public contempt, and he could not allow the rumour to go forth to the public without calling it in question. He had told the defendant there was not the slightest tittle or shadow of foundation for the statement made, and had given him ample opportunity to apologise or to disclose the name of his authority, but the defendant had refused to do either. He (the prosecutor) would now go into the witness box.

The Defendant, addressing the Court, said he had been unable to obtain the services of a professional adviser, as he understood that Mr Turton—the only available counsel—had been subpoenaed as a witness for the prosecution.

Prosecutor: Mr Turton will not be called upon to give evidence for the prosecution.

Mr Turton said he had been under the impression that he would be called as a witness, and for that reason had declined to undertake the defence. With the leave of the Court, however, he would now appear for the defendant.

[The depositions are too lengthy for us to publish in full, and we will therefore confine our report to the most important points elicited in the evidence.]

James Macassey, barrister-at-law, sworn, deposed: I am one of the candidates for the representation of this district in Parliament. The two other candidates are Mr James Miller and Mr B. Hallenstein. I produce a copy of the *Wakatip Mail* of the 14th inst. In that number there is a leading article upon the subject of the approaching election. It contains a statement in these words:—"It is currently reported that Mr Miller has—for a consideration—retired in favour of Mr Macassey." I take that statement to mean that Miller was induced to retire in my favour for some pecuniary consideration, or some other benefit given to him by me. I beg to say there is not a tittle or shadow of foundation for the assertion. I never made any overture, directly or indirectly, to Mr Miller to retire in my favour. I never held out to him any money or any other inducement to withdraw in my interest. Previous to my seeing Mr Miller, a Mr Hildreth waited upon me in Queenstown, and offered, in the name of Mr Miller, that he should retire in my favour,—he suggesting that I should pay Mr Miller's expenses as an inducement to him to retire. I absolutely declined to enter into the proposal in any shape or form. I said that had I been asked to contribute to the funds of some public institution, such as the Hospital, I might not have objected. But to pay Miller—either directly or indirectly—any money as a consideration for him to withdraw, was something which I could not for a moment entertain. On Friday, the 9th, in accordance with an arrangement made with Hildreth, I went to the Arrow, expecting to see Mr Miller himself. He was not there; but a Mr Symonds waited on me, telling me he was instructed to see me on Miller's behalf. Mr Symonds also gave me to understand that Miller was prepared to retire in my favour, on payment of his expenses. I told him this was a proposal I could not for a moment entertain, and that he must tell Mr Miller so. On the following day, I again saw Mr Symonds at the Arrow, and he then told me that he had seen Miller, who would have retired in my favour had I agreed to pay his expenses. I said there was an end of it, as I was not going to treat with Miller on any such footing. On the following Monday, Miller waited upon me at Arrowtown, and asserted that neither Hildreth nor Symonds was authorised to treat with me on

his behalf. This was after I told him of the proposals made to me by them. I told Miller that to pay him money as an inducement to retire would in my opinion be bribery; and would unseat me if returned. The interview closed by Mr Miller stating he would retire in my favour if his own requisitionists requested him to do so. I have now stated everything that passed between myself and Mr Miller or his agents on the subject. On Thursday, the 15th, I stopped Mr Warren on the street, and had a conversation with him, in presence of Mr Turton. I told defendant, after drawing his attention to the article referred to, that there was not a shadow of foundation for the statement made that "it was currently reported Mr Miller had—for a consideration—retired in my favour." I further said, "Now, Mr Warren, I require that you should at once publicly withdraw the charge you have made against me, and give me up the name of your informant. Unless you do so by 11 o'clock, I shall be under the necessity of preferring a criminal charge against you." He asked me to give him until 12 o'clock, it then being 10.15. I said, No; I could give him no longer than 11, as the matter was of far too much importance to me to remain longer unanswared. I have only further to say that this statement is calculated to do me serious damage in the minds of people who are unacquainted with me.

Cross-examined by Mr Turton: My object in prosecuting the defendant is to vindicate my character against the foul aspersion sought to be cast upon it. The prosecution has not been instituted for political purposes. I did not say that I would give a donation to the Hospital. The only proposal made to me was that I should pay Miller's expenses.

The evidence of W. T. Hildreth, miner, of Whitechapel Flat, corroborated that given by the prosecutor regarding the interview between them. In cross-examination, the witness said he made the proposals to Macassey on his own account. A question put by the Bench elicited the reply that witness was a paid canvasser for Miller.

William McDougall, storekeeper, Arrowtown, gave evidence confirmatory of prosecutor's version of the interview between himself and Miller. In cross-examination, witness said it had been currently reported—prior to the interview referred to—that Miller was going to retire in favour of Macassey.

James Miller, miner, Arrow River: I am a candidate for the representation of the Wakatip district in Parliament. Prosecutor, on Monday last, offered me no consideration to retire. He told me he would not pay me anything, but to the best of my belief he said he would have no objection to give £50 to the Hospital. I was rather excited at the time, and do not remember exactly what passed. At that time it was currently reported that I was going to retire in favour of prosecutor: that was the reason why I wished to meet the prosecutor—to put an end to the rumour. I understood the sum he was to give to the Hospital was in lieu of payment of my expenses. What the prosecutor said was, that he might pay £50 to the Hospital or some public institution if I retired. I did not authorise Symonds to tell the prosecutor that if my expenses were paid I would retire.

Prosecutor: The last witness (Mr Miller) has stated that I offered to give £50 to the Hospital. I wish to state that this is incorrect. The words "fifty pounds" never passed my lips. What I did say was, that in order to show that I did not wish to take advantage of Miller's canvass, I might give an amount to the Hospital equal to the expenses incurred by Miller.

Henry Manders, sworn and examined: I am a correspondent of the Press, and a writer for the *Wakatip Mail*. The article to which my attention has been drawn was contributed by me.

Bendix Hallenstein, merchant: I am one of the candidates for the representation of this district in Parliament. I did not wait upon Mr Barton, knowing he was a personal friend of the prosecutor, with the view of getting him to induce the prosecutor to abandon proceedings. I went to him to express my indignation at prosecutor's conduct in accusing me of being concerned in the publication of the article. If one is full of indignation, one likes to give vent to it.

His Worship remarked that the prosecutor, in his examination of the witness, seemed to be going beyond the limits of the case.

Mr Turton (to witness): Was it currently reported that Macassey had given a consideration to Miller to resign?

The Prosecutor objected that the existence of a rumour would not justify the publication of a libellous statement, and quoted authorities in proof of the soundness of his objection.

Examination continued: I had some conversation with prosecutor regarding the election, and advised him not to give anything to Miller, because so doing would not ensure his election. Prosecutor stated at the time that he would not give a penny to Miller to retire. I understood him to say that he might or would give, as an act of grace, something to the Hospital; and he also stated he would not give anything to Miller in any shape or form.

This was the case for the prosecution; and His Worship adjourned the case for an hour and a half.

At the adjourned Court, Mr Beetham said the prosecutor's case was finished: what did the defendant intend doing?

Mr Turton submitted that a *prima facie* case had not been made out, sufficient to justify the commitment of the accused. He had consulted with his client, and he would leave the case as it stood.

His Worship delivered a lengthened judgment. There was not, in the Court's opinion, sufficient evidence upon which to send the case for trial. The sentence in the article referred to—"It is currently reported that Mr Miller has—for a consideration—retired in favour of Mr Macassey"—was hardly libellous, though it approached, in the opinion of the Court, very closely to a libel. There was no doubt that the latter part of the article was highly spiced, and contained the sting; but no libel had been proved. The Court deferred to Mr Macassey's knowledge of the law of libel; for, during the ten years Mr Beetham had sat upon the Bench, no similar case had come under his notice. He would, however, express an opinion that the article was unnecessarily written and unwarranted.—The case was dismissed.

Mr Macassey supplied the depositions he forwarded to the Supreme Court, Dunedin, as he intended to take other proceedings.

The report was gratified.



## DUNEDIN NOTES.

By O. P. Q.

February 15.

In the early part of the week the crew of stalwart oarsmen who have to represent this Province in the great Canterbury four-oared boat race (for £150) took their departure for the sister Province, taking with them also, and looking after with the utmost solicitude, their beautiful new boat, the "Otogo." They have been practising hard for some time, but not in their new boat, as she has only been a short time completed. They have, however, had a few spins round the harbour in her, and pull remarkably well. It is not considered in Dunedin that they have much chance of taking the prize,—mainly on account of the very limited practice they have had in the Otogo, and also because of the fact that one or two of the crew have not been accustomed to row in an out-rigger, rather a difficult matter to those who have had no practice at it. They deserve every credit for the hard and regular practice to which they have subjected themselves; one member of the crew having positively come up from Port Chalmers every evening, stopped in Dunedin over night, and returned to the Port in the morning after an hour's hard rowing. They have left Dunedin with everybody's hearty wishes for their success; and if they do happen to bring away the prize, they will be sure to meet with an ovation on their return.

The two members who represent the city in the House of Representatives, Messrs Reynolds and Bathgate, met their constituents in the Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening for the purpose of giving an explanation of their proceedings in the House during the past session. There was a very large attendance of electors, who all seemed to take considerable interest in the proceedings. Mr Reynolds's speech—as the speeches of that gentleman always are—was of a very mediocre description, and did not at all answer the purpose for which it was made, viz., to convince the sceptical and suspicious citizens of Dunedin that the orator had, in all his votes and utterances, acted purely with a view to further their interests. The above-said sceptical and suspicious electors did not seem to see it; and the result was that, notwithstanding the rather good speech of Mr Bathgate, delivered in the plausible style in which that gentleman is so perfect an adept, no vote of confidence was passed in our worthy representatives, intensely to their disgust and chagrin. I have no doubt. Ungrateful citizens of Dunedin! this is indeed a sorry return for all the harassing days and nights spent by your conscientious representatives in the faithful discharge of their duty.

The Cargill Monument knows its place in the Octagon no more. This week the last stone of the foundation was taken from its place, and on the following day the Mori prisoners—those useful beings; they seem almost ubiquitous, for you find them in all parts of the city and suburbs, actively engaged in some work tending to beautify or improve the locality,—were marched to the spot; and, under the charge of one of the Gaol warders, speedily cleared the ground of debris and obstructions, and connected Princes and George streets by forming a good road through the Octagon. There is to be a public demonstration on the re-laying of the foundation stone of the Monument, which is to take place in a few days.

The steamship Nevada has made her second visit to our Port, having arrived yesterday. No doubt she will have numbers of visitors before she takes her departure with the mails on Sunday.

The Princess Theatre has been taken by Messrs Willis and G. W. Geddes, who both have been connected with its management during the past few years. We are promised a dramatic company shortly; but I question whether they will do much business after the successful season of the Opera Company.

## BENDIGO.

(From our own Correspondent.)

February 17.

If I were to record any change since my last in the prospects of this place, I should, politely speaking, be stating something very much at variance with the truth: the continuance of the drought dispels the idea of anything approaching liveliness in business or mining matters; in fact, all may be summed up in that exceedingly anti-progressive term, *stagnation*. We have twice had showers of rain, but of so short a duration that no permanent good has resulted. Do you not think that a meeting of the Synod, convened and carried out with as much earnestness as the one held the other day for the purpose of trying to oust a delinquent pastor, might effect a change in the weather, if the said Reverend Fathers were to agree to pay for it on the principle of a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull all together, as we say in rowing? I have heard that such a result has heretofore been obtained by the same means: at any rate, it is worth trying; and a successful issue would go far to give the First Church that pre-eminence which it desires, arrogates, but has not, in Otago.

The Cromwell and Colclough Companies are grassing great quantities of stone, and generally of an excellent quality; but until the Clerk of the Weather sends power, in the shape of rain, no returns can be hoped for or expected. The Colclough Company's reef still keeps up its permanent appearance, as recently developed, and bids fair to recoup the shareholders for their energy and perseverance. Current rumours inform us that the Alta and Aurora Companies, tired with their long inactivity, are about to start into renewed and vigorous life; but with the au-

mour we have to be content,—as I fail to see anything very lively or progressive in connection with either, if we except the delay consequent on abandonment and neglect, and this, I must say, is making itself apparent to the most careless observer; as the shareholders will find if they ever resume operations.

I am glad to report that the "Deep Lead" is *redoubtable*. Halcrow and Murray are blocking out what appears to be, from personal inspection, an excellent stope of wash dirt; and I can only say that the persistent manner in which this party have stuck to the ground ought to convince the most sceptical that there is something in the lead worth trying for further ahead. Anderson and party, having got a lot of timber on the ground, are engaged in bottoming their shaft,—now about 90 feet deep, and expected to reach 120 feet. They are next to Halcrow and party, and stand a good show, in my opinion. If they bottom on payable gold, the fact of a lead will be established, and there will be plenty of room for the "digger of the period," whose business seems to be waiting for the results of other men's enterprises.

Mr John McLean is determined to stick to sheep-farming pure and simple, and therefore intends getting rid of his immense mobs of cattle at once. As these number some thousands, we may reasonably expect, when they come into the market, to see beef at cheaper rates. I believe the same gentleman has reduced the price of sheep to 6s. per head,—a good example. Long may he live! Such a concession, added to free pasturage for the "moke" of the digger, is calculated to bring about amicable relations between the mining and squatting interests; and as such a consummation is devoutly to be wished, let us hope that other "pastoral lords" may follow the good example.

## QUEENSTOWN.

(From our own Correspondent.)

February 17.

In election matters, excitement runs high. Mr Macassey, since his arrival, has been canvassing steadily. On Saturday evening last, he addressed the electors at Arrowtown, apparently endeavouring to make the most of his knowledge of the rivalry existing between that town and Queenstown; but the good sense of the miners will no doubt lead them to support a local man rather than a stranger,—whose only aim can be to get a seat in the House, and, having secured it, to make it a step in the ladder by which he hopes to climb to the top of the legal tree, whilst his constituents remain at their labour. However, Mr Macassey stands a very fair chance at present, as he is strongly supported by Bishop Moran, (on account of his educational views) and will, consequently, have the whole Catholic section of the community in his favour. The Bishop and his clergy arrived here last night, and will probably remain a few days. Another strong supporter of Mr Macassey is your member for the Dunedin, who has to all appearance quite forgotten his energetic manner in which Mr Holmston worked to secure his return for this constituency last year. Alas! for human ingenuity.

No little excitement was caused on Thursday last by a criminal incident on being told by Mr Macassey against Mr Warren, the proprietor of the *Lake Wakatipu Mail*, for libel. The matter continued in a leading article in the issue of Wednesday. The case was heard to-day, and resulted in the dismissal of the information. [A report of this case will be found in another column.]

On Friday last, the new steamer "Jane Williams" was launched, a large concourse of people assembling to witness the event. The launch was accomplished most satisfactorily, and the vessel really looked very handsome as she floated gracefully out into the lake. Yesterday evening, the engines were tried, and to-day she has gone to the head of the Lake, the owners having kindly made it a free trip to all who might wish to take advantage of it.

The Corporation is still in a state of N.E., and so far there is no sign of the Provincial Government forwarding the subsidy due; which is the more to be regretted, because there are many works much needed in the town, and, of course, want of funds prevents the Corporation from undertaking any new contracts.

The weather has for the most part been delightful, a few showers and high winds having been the only drawbacks to out-door enjoyment.

## THE NEVIS.

(From an occasional Correspondent.)

February 12, 1872.

After a year or two spent in discussion or idle quibbling, we have at last got a Public Library, and it is a very creditable building for such an outlying district. There is, however, one little drawback,—our funds are exhausted, and we have no books. To remedy this, we intend giving—for a small consideration—an amateur concert and ball, to which all and everybody will be invited, and we hope to see such a number of friends and patrons of progress as will put us in a position to say that our Library is now supplied with books enough to meet all present requirements.

Mining matters seldom vary much here, and what might be said last year would equally apply to the present. Men try the snowy ranges every spring, and return in winter to the lower ground. Those who locate themselves permanently do the best.

The Carrick Range Water Supply scheme

has its supporters and opponents here; but I think it is opposed chiefly by those who wish to have a finger in the pie without coming down with the "dust."

The field of gold is averaging more per head just now than it has done for some time past. This information I glean from the storekeepers, who say that they never knew money to be more plentiful. We have about one store to every twelve or fourteen miners, and the keen competition makes our living expenses a mere trifle to what we had to pay in bygone times.

We have monthly visits from the Receiver of Gold Revenue, but much of our mining business is still transacted at Cromwell, as the delay of a month would in many cases incur the risk of forfeiture to applicants for certificates, &c.

Some parties have been prospecting for reefs, and although as yet they have not been successful, there is not the slightest doubt but that gold-bearing reefs will be found in the ranges west of the river, and the Nevis become of more importance as a gold-field than it is at present.

The Chinese are decreasing in numbers about the lower part of the diggings; they seem to be pushing their way up towards the Nokomai. They all appear to have the wherewithal to keep up their New Year festivities.

## Accidental Mortality at Bendigo.

The present year, so far as it has gone, has been fertile in shocking occurrences, and it is seldom that we have had to record so many fatal accidents in so brief a period. We have only at the time of writing arrived at the 17th day of the month, and looking back, we find the following record of disastrous occurrences since the commencement of the year:—On the last day of December, a little boy named Robertson was drowned in a dam; and on the same day a little girl named Birchmore was fatally hurt by an explosion of kerosene. On the 2nd January, John Snell was crushed by a fall of earth in Collman and Tacchi's claim; and on the same day a miner named William Lake received such injuries by the fall of a stone down the shaft as resulted in his death eight days afterwards. On the 5th, Patrick Pender was killed by being run over at Corp. On the 9th, a labourer named Hobbs was drowned in one of the dams in the Camp Reserve; and on the 10th, a lad named Bad was killed by a kick from a mare. On the same day, Charles Gallagher was drowned in a dam. To complete our list of accidents on this day, Mr John Morrison, the manager of the "Hill's" reef, was killed by being jammed between the cage and the side of the shaft. On the 12th, Robert Morrison committed suicide at Strathfeldale; and on the same day a lad named Chandler was drowned at the head of Eaglehawk. On the 13th, James Reoch Dean was bluffed into the hospital, suffering from sunstroke, and died on the following day. On the 15th, George Anderson was thrown from his horse, on the Chertson road, and died yesterday. On the 16th, too, George Henry, a fine young fellow, son of a farmer at Billewarrup, was killed by a fall of earth; and at the same time, another case of supposed sunstroke terminated fatally. Our contemporary sincerely trusts that we shall not have a continuation of these shocking occurrences, but ten violent deaths in eight days does being a fearful average of accident and disaster. We echo the wish cordially.—*Bendigo Independent*, 18th January.

## Capital Punishment.

Mr Saunders, who was for some years the Superior Magistrate of Nelson, has lately returned to that Province from England, whither he had been on a pleasure trip. He has since returned to the Nelson public with a few reminiscences of his visit, in the form of a lecture, and the following is one of his stories:—"I was crossing the Channel to Dublin, and in the same steamer was Mr Bright, with whom I had some pleasant conversation. As we were approaching the land, Mr Bright, pointing to a small island, said, 'That is called the Eye of Ireland. Several years ago, a doctor took his wife out there in a boat, and returned without her, saying she fell into the water. He was accused of having drowned her, was tried, convicted, and sentenced to be hung. A number of people who did not think the evidence proved his guilt, endeavoured to get his sentence commuted. I did what I could to help them,—not that I agreed with them as to his innocence, for I had no doubt he was guilty; but I am opposed to capital punishment, and therefore I objected to his being executed, and desired that he should be transported for life. I am happy to say (continued Mr Bright) that we were successful; his sentence was commuted, and he was transported for life.' Singularly enough (said Mr Saunders), I had learned the subsequent history of this convict doctor, and I asked Mr Bright if he knew what became of that man. 'No,' was his reply. 'Then,' said I, 'I will tell you. He was sent out to Australia, and from his knowledge of medicine, was appointed to dispense the drugs in the convict establishment of which he was an inmate. He was accused of murdering—poisoning—one of his fellow-prisoners, against whom he had a grudge; and it was believed that he had poisoned more in the same way. He was condemned and executed for this murder, and this was one result of the commutation of the original sentence on this murderer.' When I was finished, Mr Bright suddenly turned on his heel, and we had no more conversation on that subject.—(Laughter.)

## MISCELLANEA.

A lady in Raglan-street, Ballarat, (says contemporary,) upon killing a fowl for Christmas dinner, was astonished to find it gizzard full of small topazes, some of the being white and some green.

A tunnel 3700ft long and costing £20,000 is about to be constructed by a public company through the Cape Colville Peninsula, connect Coromandel Harbour with Kennedy Bay. The tunnel will, it is said, not only open up a large extent of auriferous ground, but make an excellent means of communication from the Coromandel mines to the crushing batteries.

The *Inangahua Herald* of February 3 gives the following items of news:—Mr Ward, Broad arrived on Friday, and holds his first Court on Monday.—The large sum of £13,000 has been collected by Mr Cooper, the Receiver of Revenue in Reefton, since last Court day on January 8th. During the above short period no less than 200 applications have been received for new quartz claims, and about 400 applications for special and business sites, races, dams, &c., &c. The demand for business licenses and miners' rights has quite exceeded the supply, and Mr Cooper has, in consequence, been unable to issue them for some days.—Some idea of the value of property in Reefton may be formed when we mention that two business sections were sold on Tuesday last for £280. The same sections could have been bought a couple of months ago for less than a quarter of the amount. The purchasers are three Westport business men—Messrs Grave, Field, and Stitt—who intend erecting large buildings for the purpose of carrying on the different businesses.

The Otago Rowing Club's four-oared out-rigger gig, built expressly for the Otago crew in the forthcoming Intercolonial Rowing Match, was launched on the 10th. The boat is 44ft. 6in. in length, 20in. broad in the widest part, is constructed of cedar, with white pine washboards, elm timbers, and gunwales of Oregon. She has watertight compartments—covered over with tight stretched vellum—fore and aft, and when put into the scales before being brought to the jetty was found to weigh 99lbs. The crew are Mr H. J. Green, by whom she was built, stroke oar, Mr J. A. Green, Mr A. Grant (bow), and Mr J. Mackley, a Port Chalmers; and the coxswain is Mr Hyndman.

## A LIVELY JOURNAL.

A young gentleman named Gumps undertook to start a paper in Cambria County, Pennsylvania, a short time ago. He called it the *Cambria Milky Way*. He said in his prospectus that he intended to make the *Milky Way* "lively, spicy, vigorous, fearless, and entertaining"; and he did. In the first number he called the editor of the rival paper "a diabolical liar, an unmitigated scoundrel, and a remorseless assassin." He alluded to the Mayor in a cheerful paragraph as "a corrupt magistrate, whose torments from the remorse which festered in his soul were only surpassed by the physical agony which is always the punishment of the depraved and riotous debauchee." He soothed the feeling of the postmaster with the remark that "the speculations of this official Dick Turpin can be compared to nothing but the terrible robberies committed in the past by those dastardly Spanish buccaners whom he so closely resembles in general character." He announced, under the head of "Social Gossip," that a certain young man had been rejected the evening before by the lady of his love, and volunteered the information that it was "the wisest thing she could have done under the peculiar circumstances." The next edition of the paper was not issued at the regular time. Finally, some copies were sent over the town in balloons, and they contained these editorial remarks:—"The editor has found it impossible to go out to-day to hunt for news items, because the Mayor, and the editor of the *Times*, and the postmaster, and Alexander Jones, and a number of other individuals whose names we have been unable to learn, have been sitting on the kerbstones and roosting around on the back fence all the morning with shot-guns and other murderous weapons, and looking as if they were in earnest. We give notice here that we have moved the fire-proof safe against the door of our sanctum, and have lined the stairs with spring guns and insane bull-terriers who have not been fed for a week. The privileges of free press shall not be interfered with while we wield a pen or possess a bull-dog." The *Milky Way*, however, died next day. Mr Gumps having slid down the waterspout, and taken the early train for Kansas. These outrages against editors will have to be stopped, or William Penn will have died for his country in vain.

A cure of a Dreadful Case of Erysipelas by Holway's Pills and Ointment.—Mrs Gibbons, of 31, Tivoli-place, Cheltenham, was for two years so dreadfully afflicted with erysipelas that she became (however extraordinary it may appear) both blind and deaf from the severity of the disease. During the time she was attended by some of the most eminent medical men in Cheltenham, but without receiving any benefit whatever, and as a last resource she tried Holway's Pills and Ointment, which in two months perfectly cured the dreadful complaint, and restored her to perfect health. This remarkable cure can be authenticated in every particular at the bookseller's, No. 10, Arcade, High-street, Cheltenham.

## BROUGHT TO BAY.

(From Cassell's Magazine.)

PERHAPS you may laugh, but nevertheless it is perfectly true, and this is how it happened. As you may be quite sure, being only nineteen, I was most tremendously anxious to get my commission; and when at last I was gazetted to the 204th Foot, I did not give my tailor much rest till my uniform and the paraphernalia of my outfit were sent home. I daresay to the old and sage it was ridiculous, but to me it was glorious—that first putting on of military garments. The bedroom door was locked—I was quite alone. There was a tall cheval glass by the bedside, and what was there to prevent me from strutting about, as scarlet in the face almost as my tightly-buttoned tunic? It did not fit me perfectly, I knew; but having it altered would necessitate its being taken away, and that idea was insupportable. So I kept my things just as they were, and in the hot stage of "scarlet" fever in which I then was, the fact of my regiment being ordered out to China did not give me much uneasiness; for even in a Chinese war there did not seem much cause for discomfort, since I believed that the British could chase the barbarians by the thousand.

I will not trouble you with an account of our long journey out and our landing in the Chinese Empire. Let it suffice when I tell you that upon our arrival it was to find hostilities in full progress, and, boy as I was, I had to take my turn with the rest, smelt powder, heard the whiz of bullets, and saw my smart uniform soiled with mud and filth. It was hot work in both senses of the word. Now we were wading in a river-bed or creek, with the blazing sun above us and the rank, steamy heat rising from the slime beneath us; now we were storming a mud fort, or chasing the enemy over the swampy rice-fields or through the cane-brakes; while the next day perhaps we were accompanying some looting expedition.

At last, after making pretty good progress up the country, we stormed a town which I will call here Ling-Po. It had been a pretty tough job, for the mud walls had been held by a strong party of braves. However, at last the day was ours. The braves were supposed to be driven out, and we had taken possession, the men distributing themselves pretty well over the place. I was along with half-a-dozen of the bandmen, who were on their way to the place chosen for headquarters, there to deposit their instruments previous to going upon ambulance duty: the helping of the wounded being, as you are no doubt aware, the duty of the bandmen in time of war.

We were rather indifferently armed—the bandmen having only those short, Roman-looking swords—very blunt ones, too; and though I had my sword and revolver, I had received a nasty thrust through my right arm from the spear of a brave—a hurt which necessitated the wounded limb being carried in a sling, and made me feel more sick and faint than I cared to own amongst men who would have looked upon my injury as a mere scratch.

The town was evidently a large, densely-populated place, full of crooked lanes, streets, and blind alleys, among which we kept wandering for quite an hour before we were compelled to own that we had lost our way.

"If you'll be kind enough to take the lead, Mr Grey, we'll follow you," said one of the bandmen, turning suddenly round upon me, and scratching his puzzled pate.

"I'm ready enough to lead, Denis," I said; but I'm about done up for want of water. I was thinking of asking you to carry me."

"I'm thinking, sir, that we may just as well sit down in the shade and wait, for the headquarters is just as likely to come to us as we are to get to it. A big place like this would puzzle a map-maker."

"I thought I'd tell you, sir, that there's a couple of Chinese been following us for the last five minutes," said another of the men—and 'taint as if we had rifles."

I looked uneasily back down the long, narrow, sun-glared street, but there was not a soul visible. All was still as death, save for a distant shot or two, which seemed to come from quite another part of the town, and to indicate that the fighting was not entirely at an end. The houses on either side were closely shuttered, and presented the most blank of aspects, and though we scanned the windows above, not a watching face was visible.

I could not help owning that should we be attacked by some detached body of the braves, our chances would be very small; and I should have blamed myself for want of care, had not the difficulty of finding one's way through such a wilderness become more and more evident at each stride we took.

"It's my belief, sir, that Corporal Smith's leading us intirely wrong," said the Irishman, speaking again.

"Lead yourself, then," said the corporal, gruffly, as he tucked his large ophicleide beneath his arm, and paused to wipe the perspiration from his forehead.

"I'll tell you what, sir," said another man (our best cornet player), "we had better make a dash for it,—I don't like the look of this at all. Will you order a retreat?"

"Why, what's wrong," said I, testily, for all the time there was a dizzy sensation in my head, and the street looked misty before my eyes.

"We are being dodged, sir, and no mistake; and if we take refuge in one of these houses, we shall perhaps only be burnt out."

Trying to rouse myself, I hurriedly took a glance at our position. We were evidently in one of the lower parts of the town; and the street wherein we were was one of the

narrowest I had seen in the country. Every here and there alleys ran off at right angles, but each apparently ended in a cul-de-sac, and to enter one might have been like running into a gin, from which there was no means of extricating ourselves. To make matters worse, too, at one end of the street there was a glint of arms, and a moment afterwards four or five braves showed themselves for an instant, and then disappeared.

Fortunately the peril that threatened our little party seemed to clear my head from the misty sensation; and I tried to devise some plan for immediate execution.

"They will come upon us suddenly from one of the narrow streets if they mean to attack us," I thought, and giving the signal to my men, I turned off sharply to the right, and we walked rapidly in a new direction, in the hope that it might bring us to where some of our own men were collected.

That we were in danger I felt sure. My men knew it too; but, all the same, in a light-hearted, reckless fashion, I could hear them joking together.

"I'll tell you what," said one, "the band's as good as broken up if we don't get back. What do you say, Denis?"

"Spoiled intirely," was the reply; "and bedad I'm glad I haven't got to blow now, for I've no more wind left than would put out one of Widdy Flanagan's dips, and they were twenty-four to the pound. How are you, corporal?"

"Blown," was the gruff reply. Then we went on in silence for a short distance, but only to stop short as we turned a corner, for there was a burst of yells in the distance, and the clangour of a gong, and we became aware of the fact that about thirty braves were in close pursuit of a couple of our men, who were evidently hard pressed.

"Come on!" I shouted, with my blood seeming to boil; but long before we could reach the spot, we saw the two poor fellows overtaken, and fall pierced with a score of spear wounds.

"Come back, sir, quick,—come back!" exclaimed a voice, and the sword-arm hand of the stout ophicleide player was laid on my arm. "It's like rushing on death, and—here, quick! down here," he shouted, hurriedly; "those fellows who have been dodging us are closing up."

A glance revealed our position plainly enough: we were between two fires; and, darting down a narrow lane, we hastily pursued its windings.

"Our people must hear the noise soon, and clear the town," whispered the corporal to me, as he forced his arm under mine. "Hold up, sir; you're a bit weak,—that's the way. Now then, men, keep together; it's our only chance."

The lane seemed as if it would have no end; and all the time there were our enemies shouting and yelling in full pursuit. If we were overtaken, we knew what our fate must be: instant death, or else some horrible torture; for in their eyes we were all so many foreign devils.

I looked back twice, each time to see the fierce faces of the yelling mob panting in pursuit, and once I grew giddy with dread; but I was pressing on the next moment, my heart leaping with joy as Corporal Smith exclaimed,

"Hold up, sir,—we'll stand by you to a man; and look! there's the end of it at last."

The end of the lane was indeed there; but, to our horror, we saw that it was blocked up by the ruins of a couple of houses, evidently near the wall which had been knocked down by our boats' guns.

"It's all up now, me boys," said the Irishman, with a howl; "but let's die game, for the honour of the old regiment. I'll give 'em a call, though, anyhow," he exclaimed, "it may bring help," and as we faced round he put his cornet to his lip, and blew a loud rallying call; and there, in the face even of a horrible death, so great was the force of habit, that the other five bandmen involuntarily raised their instruments to their lips.

"Here, what a fool I am!" roared Smith, lowering his huge bell-mouthed brass piece the next moment, for the Chinamen were within half-a-dozen yards, and rushing at us with lowered spears. "Quick, my boys! a man apiece first. Fire, sir, fire!"

I had already taken aim at the nearest man with my revolver, and was in the act of drawing the trigger, when, as Smith lowered the great ophicleide, the foremost braves saw its huge belching mouth directed full upon them, stopped short, yelling now with horror, turned, and in a moment there was a regular stampede, the frightened wretches trampling one another in their hurry to escape.

"Bedad!" shrieked Denis, "the devils are afraid of the wind instruments. Blow, me boys, blow! Give 'em the big notes, corporal; let out at 'em, Tom, with the thrombone. Hurrah, then! Don't be afraid. Let go with the clarinet, Tim; that'll give 'em the toothache. Arrah, if only Mickey Blane was here, with the pipes!"

I have heard men learning, and I have heard the practice in the band-room; but never before, I am confident, did such a roaring bray issue from the mouths of instruments of brass as was now sent after the retreating braves.

"Fire again, me boys!" shouted Denis, as he saw in the distance some half-dozen men pause, as if to see how many had been slain by the fearful weapon that had put them to flight. "A big one this time, corporal!"

Phump!—phump!—phump!—phump! went the ophicleide; the thrombone grunted, snorted, and cut and slashed in all directions, high and low, sending forth volley after volley of minims and semibreves worthy of the

pedal pipes of a large organ; while the other instruments brayed, roared, howled, and made such discords as would have sent a professor mad; but it was not in vain, for this second discharge had the effect of sending the last tail flying round the corner, and then the place seemed once more to swim around me, and I fainted.

When I recovered, it was to find that my men had carried me by some means over the ruins, and that a company of another regiment had just marched up.

"Better, Grey?" said the captain, kindly. "They tell me you've had a narrow escape. I suppose there are hundreds of the enemy about yet. I say, there, where are you going, my man? It's not safe for you to get back there. Come down!"

"If you please, sir, he's left the grate gun on the other side," said a voice; and as I saw the grinning face of Denis, I recalled the whole scene.

"Back directly, sir. I've left my instrument," said Corporal Smith.

The captain nodded, and after a minute's climbing, Smith returned in triumph with the great brass piece, which became from that day a trophy in the regiment; and, as I said at the beginning, you may laugh, but it is perfectly true, and that was how it happened.

## WARDEN'S REPORT.

DUNSTAN DISTRICT.

Mr Warden Pyke writes to the Provincial Secretary for the Goldfields as under:—

1. I have the honour to forward my report for the quarter ending 31st December, 1871.

2. Since my last quarterly report, the sub-district of Blacks has been severed from the district of Dunstan, and a Warden appointed specially therefor. Except where otherwise indicated, my present report will, consequently, refer only to the Dunstan district, as now again re-constituted.

3. I have nothing of any importance to communicate so far as the sub-districts of Alexandra and Clyde are concerned, with the exception of mentioning that Iversen's reef, at Conroys, has turned out well, to the satisfaction of the shareholders; and that strenuous efforts are being made to thoroughly prospect the reef at Butchers, by draining the water, which, heretofore, has baffled the prospectors.

4. At Bendigo, the want of water has greatly tended to discourage mining operations. On the Carricks, however, where steam power is employed for crushing purposes, the work goes merrily on, and some really good stone has been crushed. It has been of the usual mullocky description (breccia). There is every prospect of this locality becoming an extensive and permanent quartz-mining district. Bendigo will no doubt suffer a recovery next spring: there are already premonitory indications of a revival in that direction.

5. The Chinese element prefer in my district to resort to back gullies and untried places. At the Nevis they largely congregate. There are some doing well at the Nevis, and at Fraser's River. At Earnscleugh, a small and select party of Celestials have lately put in an appearance.

6. The yield of gold for the quarter ending 31st December, 1871, has been as under:—

	ozs.	dwt.
Clyde	2,130	0
Cromwell	4,379	17
Alexandra	1,565	6
Blacks	2,010	0

Making a total of 10,085 3

And for the year as under:—

Clyde	8,126	5
Cromwell	18,620	2
Alexandra	7,461	15
Blacks	9,888	10

Making a total yield, as shown by Escort, of 44,095 ozs. 12 dwt., which amount bears favourable comparison with former years, and, indeed, shows an increase in the returns from Clyde, Alexandra, and Blacks, and but a slight decrease from the sub-district of Cromwell.

From the tables appended to the report, we gather the following:—

The total number of miners in the district is 1500, of whom 1100 are Europeans, and 400 Chinese. 250 of the Europeans are engaged in quartz mining. The remainder and all the Chinese are engaged in alluvial mining. The machinery employed by the alluvial miners consists of 4 water-wheels, 6 hydraulic hoses, 10 pumps, and 195 sluice-boxes. The quartz miners employ 3 steam-engines, 8 crushing machines, 55 stamp-heads, and 5 water-wheels. The approximate value of all the mining plant in the district is £43,000. There are also 76 water-races, carrying 264 sluice-heads, and valued at £31,859; 12(?) tail-races, valued at £3625; and 22 dams, valued at £1690. The number of square miles of auriferous ground actually worked upon is 15; and the price of gold is from £3 12s. to £3 16s. per ounce. The rates of wages for miners are from £3 10s. to £4 per week, and for domestic servants from £40 to £50 per annum.

Donati, the far-famed one-legged dancer, has arrived at Auckland. This extraordinary dancer created a great sensation in London; throughout Europe, Sydney, and Melbourne; indeed, wherever he has appeared.

The Victoria Racing Club have just passed a new rule in handicapping, which will materially affect future racing in the colony. All handicaps in future are to be commenced at the weight for age of the supposed best animal in the race.

## The Stoker's Tale.

The *Speculator*, under this heading, publishes a summary of what it calls a "wonderfully vivid and pathetic narrative of the Megara stoker's tale, as related by a very able correspondent of the *Daily News*." The article concludes as follows:—

The stoker who tells the tale, and who has a marvellous power of illustration, here adds a simile to paint more clearly the condition of the ship, which strikes us as one of the most graphic and frightfully vivid we ever met with: "I once knew a chap so had in consumption that he said he was spitting himself bodily away as he walked. Blessed if the Megara wasn't, after a fashion, spitting herself away as she steamed. The suction of the pumps was like the poor fellow's cough; it fetched pieces of the rotten girders up the pumps, and so out into the sea. But the fragments of her pretty well choked the pumps at last, for the Old Man found them obstructed by a lot of old iron that had not gone up the spout." The captain had no sooner seen with his own eyes the state of things thus described than he condemned the ship, and told the crew after reading the morning prayers (for it was Sunday), that the ship's bottom was really dropping out, that the ship might go down at any moment, and that they must prepare to abandon her. On the afternoon of the 19th June, Captain Thrupp, then at St. Paul's (for which he had run directly he discovered the leak), determined to try to run her over the bar and on shore. "The boats could not have lived over the bar," says the stoker, and besides being many of them as old and crazy as the ship, were not capable of holding more than two-thirds of those on board. So the order was given that all hands—except the stokers and engineers necessary to manage the engines and keep "a full head on"—should go on deck, that, in case the ship should "break her back" on the bar, as was expected, the crew might have a chance for their lives. We must give the rest of the story in the very words of the report:—

"Half the crew were on the topgallant foksle, half aft, every man ready for a spring if she would break her back. Between the rollers and the sharks, I fear it would have gone hard with them. 'Where was I?' 'Oh! below; for somebody had to keep the steam on. The stokers were forced to remain below. At least it wasn't altogether force, but duty, sir, for we never thought to grumble, although we never thought to see the deck again. Orders were to get on a strong head of steam. The glands were leaking, and I thought every minute the steam-pipe would go. It was an anxious moment. We talked down there about things sailors don't often talk about. The engineer contended that as we was down below on duty, and for the common good, we should be pretty sure of heaven if the burst-up should come. Then, as we neared the bar, we shook hands and parted, each man turning his face to the wall. She cleared the bar, and took the ground beautiful. She went on the rocks as smooth and easy as if she had been an empty egg-shell. If she had been a sound, strong ship, her mast would have gone by the board with the shock, but she was so rotten that there was no shock, and the rocks came up through her as if her bottom had been of pie-crust."

## An Australian Bush Fire.

A STRUGGLE FOR LIFE.

The following account of a narrow escape from death in a bush fire is from the *Newcastle Chronicle*:—

Mr Sub-Inspector Harrison was, on a recent Saturday night, returning from Stroud to Dungog in company with the A. A. Company's Gloucester Superintendent (Mr Keys) and one of the police, and whilst in the vicinity of the Ram Station, having occasion to dismount from his horse, the animal jerked the bridle out of his hand and made off up the range. Mr Harrison followed, and after about half-an-hour's chase secured him; his companions having meanwhile ridden onwards. On trying to recover the road, the horse took a wrong track through the darkness of the night caused by the bush fires, and carried his rider into a gully, out of which he was driven by a bush fire, which was approaching along both ridges. For three miles he was driven up into the ranges, and finally surrounded by a complete circle of fire. Twice he was on the point of giving in, but again trusting to his horse, relying on his surefootedness, and in sheer desperation, with handkerchief bound over his mouth—for the fire was scorching him terribly, and the smoke was suffocating—he made a dash through the burning scrub down into another gully. There he remained from about one to five a.m., surrounded by a complete cordon of flames, his face to the ground, and the smoke curling over him in dense black volumes. He was torn and scratched from head to foot, and his clothes were in ribbons, consequent upon the reckless manner in which he was compelled to gallop through the burning scrub to avoid being roasted alive. As soon as daylight permitted, and he could once more see his way, he again started, and after several hours' ride made an old station of the company's called the Black Camp, which had been many years deserted. Here, after searching for some time, he found an overgrown track which ultimately led him to the Koruya river, in the immediate neighbourhood of the township of Stroud, where he arrived about mid-day, having been sixteen hours and a half in the burning ranges. In the meantime, the alarm having been given, parties were organised in Dungog and Stroud for the purpose of seeking him, but with faint hopes of ever finding him alive.



## Dunedin Advertisements.

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"Be wise to-day, 'tis madness to defer,  
Procrastination is the thief of time."

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